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39th ARRSq History, Oct - Dec 69

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28 November 1969

MISSION NUMBER: Unknown

AIRCRAFT DESIGNATION: KING 6

DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT: RATTLER 12 (UH-1 Army helicopter)

LOCATION: 140/16/91 (Bail Out Area).

SAVES: 7

1. Panama reported a Rattler 12 as shot down at 1030Z. The location was "baldy mountain" area. Type aircraft and souls on board were not immediately determined. An updated position was received from Panama as 140/16/91. Playboy 17, Gunfighter 57, and Rattler 13 were in the area. Gunfighter 57 was named on-scene-commander. He immediately requested King to get the local artillery stopped. DaNang DASC and Baldy Control were called and clearance obtained. A Dustoff aircraft reported seeing a strobe light and a pen gun flare. Gunfighter 57 sighted the downed helicopter and Rattler 13 went in to make the pick up. After the pick up, it was reported that one person was still at the crash scene. At 1116Z Rattler 13 was followed by Charger 417 and Snake Doctor 04. A ring of gunships was set up to suppress the gunfire in the pilot and 4 crewmembers. Snake Doctor 04 picked up another survivor and the deceased gunner. Charger 417 picked up the co-pilot. Division medical facilities were alerted to receive the recovered personnel. Artillery was advised that all known aircraft were out of the area except for two helicopters that landed at Hotel Hotel to check battle damage. At 1123Z, King 6 RTB, Ch 83.

## 2. (U) Aircraft Involved:

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| Rattler 12, 13 | Charger 417, 246 |
| Playboy 17     | Dustoff          |
| Ghostrider 27  | Snake Doctor 04  |
| Gunfighter 57  | Fire Fly 95      |

## 3. (U) King 6 Crewmembers:

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| AMC LTC TYNER  | RO A1C OLSZEWSKI |
| AC MAJ SMITH   | FE MSG SMALLWOOD |
| CP 1LT HEINING | FE TSG ARNOLD    |
| A LTC REECE    | LM SGT WALSH     |

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