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DATE: 19 JAN 70

23 January 1970

MISSION NUMBER: 1-3-009-19 JAN 70

AIRCRAFT DESIGNATION: KING 6

LOCATION: 110/28/77

DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT: MISTY 40 (F-100)

SAVES: 2 Combat

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SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652
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1. (C) Hillsboro informed King 6 at 1251 that Misty 40 had battle damage, position 040/22/72 and was heading for Ch 77. Stormy 03 was attempting a rendezvous with Misty 40 at that time and joined up at 1255. King 6 requested Queen to alert the SAR forces at Ch 77 for a possible SAR effort. About 1257, Misty 40 stated that his controls were stiff, that he had lost his second hydraulic system and was planning on a "Nylon letdown". King 6 relayed to Stormy 3 to attempt to get feet wet for the bailout, and that Panama had the emergency squawk. King 6 requested Queen to scramble the Jollies from Ch 77.
2. (C) At 1306 Misty 40 bailed out and Stormy 03 and Misty 30 who had joined a few minutes earlier had the chutes in sight, position 100/27/77.
3. (U) At 1310 King 6 arrived on scene, weather was 500 overcast, 3 miles in rain, wind north 17 Kts and seas 8 to 10 feet. King 6 attempted contact with Misty 40 A or B, however the attempt was unsuccessful at that time.
4. (U) At 1322, King 6 got a lock on from a beeper and homed in sighting Misty 40A at 1325 in position 110/28/77. King 6 dropped a smoke marker and vectored Jolly Green 33 and Pedro into the area. 1331 King 6 and Jolly Green 33 sighted Misty 40B approximately 200 yards down wind from Alpha and Jolly Green 33 and Pedro went in for the pickups.
5. (U) 1343 Pedro picked up Misty 40A and reported he was in good shape. 1345 Jolly Green 33 picked up Misty 40B also in good shape. At 1346 King 6 RTB all forces.
6. (U) Problem Area: King 6 had difficulty contacting Misty 40 however no difficulty with other aircraft.

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(U) At 1303L on 19 Jan 70, Jolly Green 33 (Alpha Low) and Jolly Green 35 (Alpha High) were notified of a scramble. We proceeded to our aircraft and were notified that there were two good "chutes" at a position of 101 degrees at 23 miles from Channel 77. We started engines and launched from Da Nang AB at 1313L and proceeded to the location. Weather at this time was approximately 500 to 600 feet overcast, light drizzle, with visibility varying between $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 miles. King 6 notified us that he had talked to Misty 40A while he was descending in his parachute through a layer of clouds. King 6 located a survivor at a position of approximately 115 degrees for 28 miles from Channel 77, but did not have both survivors in sight. He dropped a flare at his position and while we proceeded to the flare, we sighted both survivors, approximately 1000 feet apart. As we passed over Misty 40B's position, we dropped a flare and made an approach for the pickup. The wind was variable at 135 degrees, at about 14 to 20 knots. The seas were choppy with a very short period, and approximately 10-12 feet in height. Sgt Hoffman deployed into the water to assist the survivor and after a short interval, Misty 40B was hoisted aboard at 1345L. Shortly afterward, Sgt Hoffman was lifted from the sea and the aircraft was secured. During this, Pedro (From Da Nang AB) recovered Misty 40A, and when he was clear of the area, we destroyed both life rafts with M-16 fire. Misty 40B was in good condition, but wished to join Misty 40A at the Naval Support Activity Hospital. We proceeded to the hospital and delivered him into their care at 1415L, and proceeded to Da Nang AB and terminated the mission at 1425L.

(U) The survivor was Captain Ernest L. Farnsworth, USAF, [REDACTED], 614 TFS, TDY to the 31st TFW, Tuy Hoa AB, RVN.

(U) Crews involved:

JOLLY GREEN 33

AC	Major	John H. Winter
CP	Major	James Z. Elkinton
FE	Sgt	Joseph J. Vai
RS	Sgt	George P. Hoffman III
RS	Sgt	Gary T. Osborne

JOLLY GREEN 35

AC	Capt	Eric K. Lindberg
CP	Capt	Royce W. Terrell
FE	SSgt	Gary S. Estep
RS	Sgt	Edward K. Rendle

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1. RESCUE OPENING/CLOSING REPORT 19 JAN 70.
2. 1-3-008-19 JAN 70.
3. A. TACTICAL B. NOT AVAILABLE C. CAMOUFLAGED/NOT AVAILABLE/
100-F/ MISTY 40 D. U.S. E. 31 TFW F. BROWN, DANIEL F.
CAPTAIN G. TWO (2) POB H. USAF STANDARD.
4. JRCC, 3ARRGP 19/0454; OL-1
5. S/E

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6. LAUNCHED JG 33 AND PEDRO 91 AT 0459Z
7. DIVERTED KING 6 AT 0454Z; PEDRO 91 A/B AT 0504Z JG 33 A/B
AT 0514; JG 03 A/B 0521Z
8. 15-55N 108-36E
9. A. FIFTEEN HUNDRED BROKEN, VISIBILITY 6 MILES, SEA STATE
035/23K, SIX TO EIGHT FOOT SWELLS. B. FIVE HUNDRED BROKEN
2 MILES VISIBILITY. C. S/E
10. OL-1, 3ARRGP, MAJ P. HUBACHER, TSGT R.L.BUCKNER, A1C J.M.
WHITE
11. PANAMA GCI
12. KING 6 AT 0530Z/~~15-55N 108-36E~~
13. 37 ARRS/HHAEE/NAVY SEAT 0545Z. 38ARRS/HH-43F/HARSE COLLAR/0542Z
14. 2/2/2/2/0/0 *Resum seat*
15. SURVIVORS TAKEN TO NSA HOSPITAL DANANG
16. 2/2.2/HH-3E/37ARRS; 1/1.2/HC-130P/39ARRS 1/1.4/HH-43F/38ARRS
17. 0/0/0/0/NOT AVAILABLE/0/0/0
18. A. AC CAPT D.A. VOIGT, CP MAJOR J.A. TYSON, FE SGT R.L. LUKE,
01 PJ SSGT D A LUTHER, FF SSGTR. REMSUE, FF SGT C.H. BLEDSOE,
ALL OF 38ARRS.
- AC MAJOR J.G. WINTER, CP MAJOR J. Z. ELKINGTON, FE SGT J. VAI

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PJ SGT G. T. OSBORNE, PJ SGT G.P. HOFFMAN III, ALL OF 37ARRS
B. CAPT.D.F. BROWN CAPT.E.L. FARNSWORTH, OF THE 31 TFW.
19. A. AREA SEARCHED WAS ONE SQUARE MILE OF 15-55N, 108-36E,
SEARCH 100 PERCENT EFFECTIVE. B. LOCATED BOTH PILOTS IN WATER
100 YARDS APART. H. 2ARRS COMBAT SAAVES/NEGATIVE AIR RE-
FUELING/DOWN DUE TO HOSTILE ACTION /2CREWMEMBERS/ONE PJ
DEPLOYED. MISTY 40 LOST ONE FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM DUE TO
BATTLE DAMAGE AND SENT MAYDAY OVER GUARD WHILE PROCEEDING
FEET WET. KING 6. DELIVERED TO SCENE WHILE JOLLY GREEN 33
AND PEDRO 91 WERE LAUNCHED. MISTY AIRCRAFT BECAME UN-
CONTROLABLE AND BOTH CREWMEMBERS BAILED OUT 25 MILES S E OF
DANANG AT 0506Z. TWO GOOD CHUTES WERE REPORTED BY A STORMY 03
ABD KING 6 HAD VOICE CONTACT WITH ALPHA MAN. DUE TO LOW
CEILING AND POOR VISIBILITY SURVIVORS WERE NOT VISUAL SIGHTED
UNTIL 0530Z. JOLLY GREEN 33 PUT HIS PJ IN THE WATER AND
MADE A SUCCESSFUL PICKUP OF THE 'B' MAN AT 0545'. PEDRO 91
PICKED UP 'A' MAN AT 0542Z. THE SURVIVORS WERE 100 YARDS
FROM EACH OTHER IN THE WATER. BOTH WERE FLOWN TO NSA
HOSPITAL AND REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION.

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