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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
40TH AEROSPACE RESCUE & RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96237



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 400 (Lt Col Campbell/2687)

11 January 1970

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report #2-3-003-9 Jan 70 (U)

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TO: 3 ARRGp (JRCC)
APO 96307

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1. (U) This report submitted IAW ARRSM 55-2/3 ARRGp Sup 1.

2. (S) At 0830L, 9 Jan 70, JG 77 and JG 68 were scrambled from LS-20A for an airborne emergency on Firefly 43 who had a prop in flat pitch, was losing altitude and was attempting to reach LS-20A. JG 77 and JG 68 were airborne at 0838L. After becoming airborne, King 01 advised that the pilot had ejected and was down 040/11/108. JG 77 and JG 68 were on the scene at 0853L. The survivor's position was located by sighting an Air American H-34 that was hovering over the survivor and attempting the rescue utilizing a horse collar. Firefly 42, as on-scene-commander, directed the H-34 to leave the scene due to difficulty in lowering the horse collar through the trees to the survivor. At 0859L, JG 77 was cleared in for the pickup. The survivor was located in tall trees on the side of a steep karst. The pararescueman was lowered on the tree penetrator to assist the pilot. The pilot was placed on the penetrator and his shroud lines were cut, due to failure of parachute release mechanism. During the recovery, JG 77 was required to hover within 15' of the karst edge. The survivor was aboard at 0910L and JG 77 departed the area. No enemy fire was encountered during the entire mission. JG 77 and JG 68 recovered at LS-20A at 0925L. The survivor received only minor facial cuts and bruises. The pararescueman received a minor cut on his little finger of his left hand. Weather in the area at the time was high scattered, 10+ miles visibility.

3. (U) The survivor was: Capt Jack L. Hudson, [REDACTED]

4. (U) The rescue crews were:

JG 77L

JG 68H

AC: Lt Col C. R. Campbell
CP: Maj J. J. Goeglein
FE: SSgt T. D. Blakeney
RS: SSgt J. J. Eldridge
RS: TSgt C. A. Lane
AP: ALC R. G. Banas

AC: Capt E. J. Sichterman
CP: Capt J. R. Blewitt
FE: TSgt C. W. DeMattos
RS: Sgt R. F. Sopata
RS: Sgt M. J. Howard

Charles R. Campbell
CHARLES R. CAMPBELL, Lt Colonel, USAF
Aircraft Commander

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DATE: 9 JAN 70

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MISSION NUMBER: 2-3-003-9 JAN 70

AIRCRAFT DESIGNATION: KING 1

LOCATION 038/11/108

DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT: ~~DOWNGRADED TO~~

SAVES: 1 Combat

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1. (S) King 1 received word from Tiger 01 at 0830 that Firefly 43 had engine trouble, was losing altitude and attempting to reach LS 98. King proceeded to the area and requested that the Jolly Greens be launched from LS 98. Tiger 01, Raven 42 and Firefly 42 were in escort. King 1 attempted to contact Firefly 42 and any of the escorting airplanes but was unable at that time due to distance. The position at that time was 356/26/108.

2. (S) 0841G, Firefly reported he was at 4500 MSL and was unable to maintain altitude and was bailing out, position 038/11/108. Firefly 42 was appointed OSC. Many transitions were made on guard frequency and as a result Hotel 53 & 15 were in the area of the bailout. In the meantime Cricket diverted Firefly 20 & 21 to the scene and Socker flight in the event they were needed. Weather in the area was broken tops to 6500 MSL visibility 10 plus. The terrain was approximately 2800 and the trees were 200 feet where Firefly 43 bailed out. Firefly 43 reported he was OK and that he could not hear anyone around him. Airplanes in the area reported negative ground fire of any kind and the area was evaluated as reasonably safe by Firefly 42 and Hotel 53.

3. (U) King 1 arrived on scene about 0848G and had good communications with the SAR forces.

4. (C) Firefly 42 directed Hotel 53 to attempt a pickup which he did but only had a horse collar and was unable to get the collar under the trees.

5. (U) Tiger and Socker flights were told to RTB as their services were not needed. Also Jack was informed that the Sandies would not be needed.

6. (C) Jolly Green 77 & 63 arrived in the area at 0857G and Jolly Green 77 went in for the pickup. At 0900, Jolly Green put the PJ out to assist the survivor in getting out of his chute and trees. 0908 Jolly Green 77 recovered the survivor in good shape and proceeded to LS 98. 0910 King 1 RTB'd all forces.

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TO RUEFHQA/HQ USAF

RUCIEUA/HQ ARRS SCOTT AFB ILL

INFO RUSQSN/7AF/DOTO/DO/DI/DP/BDPMP/CP/TSN AB RVN

RUWTFJA/USAF MPC/AFPMSC/RANDOLPH AFB TEX

RUCIEUA/HQ MAC

RUCIAAA/HQ USAF ALTERNATE CP MAXWELL AFB ALA

RUEKC/AFEDC FT RITCHIE MD

RUHHHQA/CINCPAC/CC/CAMP HM SMITH HA

RUHHBBA/CINCPACAF/CC

RUHHABA/41ARRWG HICKAM AFB HA

RUSQSN/3ARRGP/3JRCC/TSN AB RVN

RHMSMVA/MACV SAIGON RVN

RUMLUHA/39ARRS TUY HOA AB RVN

ZEN/7/13AF TACC UDORN RTAFB THAI

ZEN/40ARRS UDORN RTAFB THAI

RUMOREA/DET 1 40ARRS NKP RTAFB THAI

RUMOREA/56SOW NKP RTAFB THAI

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SECRET JOPREP JIFFY/OL-2 3ARRGP RESCUE/007090132Z JAN 70 FOR 638F
PASS TO TACC.

1. RESCUE OPENING CLOSING REPORT 9 JAN 70

2. 2-3-003-09 JAN 70

3. FIREFLY 43 A. TACTICAL B. CLASSIFIED C. CAMOUFLAGED/612/A1G

D. USA E. USAF/56SOW F. CAPT JACKSON L. HUDSON G. 1 POB

H. USAF STANDARD 4. KING 1, 090132Z 5. SE 6. 2/HH-53C/40ARRS AT

09/0135Z; 1/HC-130P/39ARRS AT 09/0132Z. 7. JG 68/77 LAUNCHED

AT 09/0148Z; KING 1 DIVERTED TO AREA AT 09/0132Z 8. 1941N 10300E

9. A. NOT A FACTOR B. NOT A FACTOR C. NOT A FACTOR 10. OL-2, 3ARRGP

LTCOL D. L. STEPHENS, CAPT C. A. ANDERSON, MSGT P. T. FOXWORTH,

SGT R. M. CAMPBELL 11. 56SOW 12. FIREFLY 42/09/0132Z/1941N 10300E

13. 40ARRS/HH-53C/FOREST PENETRATOR/09/0210Z. 14. 1/1/1/1/0/0

15. TAKEN TO LONG TIENG, LAOS 16. 2/1.0/40ARRS/HH-53C; 5/2.4/56SOW/

A1E; 1/0.8/39ARRS/HC-130P 17. A. 0/0/0/0/NOT AVAILABLE/0/0/2

B. 0/0/0/0/NOT AVAILABLE/0/0/0 18. A. CREW MAKING SAVE;

AC CAMPBELL, CHARLES R. LT. COL, CP GOEGLEIN, JOHN W. MAJ,

FM DEMATTOS, CARLOW W. TSGT, RS ELDRIDGE, JOHN J. SSGT, RS LANE, COLIN A

TSGT, AP BANAS, RAYMOND G. A1C. ALL ASSIGNED TO 40ARRS EXCEPT A1C BANAS

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WHO IS ASSIGNED TO DET 9, 601 PHOTO FLT. B. PERSONNEL SAVED:

HUDSON, JACKSON L., CAPT., 602SOS, USAF. 19. H. ARRS CREDITED WITH 1

US COMBAT AIRCREW MEMBER SAVE. RS WAS DEPLOYED. NO AIR

REELINGS WERE ACCOMPLISHED. AT 0132Z, KING 1 REPORTED THAT FIREFLY

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43 HAD DECLARED A MAYDAY BECAUSE OF PROP GOING TO FULL DECREASE. HE WAS LOSING ALTITUDE BUT WOULD TRY TO MAKE IT TO THE NEAREST AIRFIELD WHICH WAS 31NM AWAY. AT 0135, JG 68/77 WERE ALERTED TO LAUNCH AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE. THE CONDITION OF FIREFLY 43 WORSEDED AND HE EJECTED AT 0142Z. THE JOLLY GREEN GIANTS ARRIVED IN THE AREA AT 0154Z AND WENT INTO A HOVER FOR THE PICKUP AT 0206Z. DUE TO THE DENSE TREE CANOPY AND THE SURVIVORS ENTANGLEMENT IN HIS HARNESS, THE RS WAS DEPLOYED TO ASSIST. THE SURVIVOR AND RS WERE BOTH ABCK ON BOARD JG 77 AT 0210Z AND THE FORCES WERE RTB'D. THE MISSION WAS CLOSED AT 0220Z WHEN JH 77 LANDED AT LONG TIENG, LAOS. THE SURVIVOR WAS REPORTED IN EXCELLENT CONDITION AND NO HOSTILE ACTIVITY WAS ENCOUNTERED DURING THE MISSION. SEE ATTCH 6, AFM 55-11 FOR FORMAT OF THIS REPORT.

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