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ATTN OF: 38-7C

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SUBJECT: Mission Narrative 7-38-003-18 Feb 70Z (U)

TO: JSARC

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2. The crew of Pedro 93 was:

Aircraft Commander	Capt Walter E. Hogan
Copilot	Capt Roger E. Hill
Flight Engineer	TSgt Gordon L. Ball
Pararescueman	TSgt Donald G. Smith
Firefighter	SSgt Reginald Ramseur
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3. This report is submitted in accordance with 3ARRGP/SUP 1 to ARRSM 55-2.

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WALTER E. HOGAN, Capt, USAF
Aircraft Commander

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the downed airmen. As the first survivor was raised aboard the helicopter, a Jolly Green arrived at the scene and recovered the other pilot. Both crewmen were taken to the Naval Support Activity Hospital for treatment of minor injuries. The crew of Pedro 91 was:

Capt	David A. Voigt	AC
Maj	John A. Tyson	CP
Sgt	Randy L. Luke	FE
SSgt	Luther E. Davis	PJ

3. Mission # 7-38-003, 19 February 1970. At 0305L, the crew of Pedro 91 was scrambled for a C-119 gunship that had crashed while on final approach to runway 17 at DaNang. The wreckage was sighted in a pond just short of the perimeter mine field. The Pedro crew, except for the pilots, entered the water, which was 4 - 6 feet deep, to look for two missing crew members. While the helicopter hovered over the wreckage to provide light and prevent the spread of fire from the right engine to the fuel floating on the water. The water and rotor wash extinguished the fire and the missing crew members were located near the tail of the aircraft and led to safety on the shore. Two survivors required immediate medical care and were airlifted to the base medical facility. The following crew members assisted in the rescue:

Capt	Walter E. Hogan	AC
Capt	Roger E. Hill	CP

Crew member listing continued for mission # 7-38-003:

TSgt	Gordon L. Ball	FE
TSgt	Donald G. Smith	PJ
SSgt	Reginald Ramseur	FF
SSgt	Cecil H. James	FF

4. Mission # 7-38-007, 16 March 1970. At 1130L, DaNang tower scrambled Pedro 91 for a USN EC-121 that had crashed into an F-4 revetment at the southeast corner of the field. The flight engineer, both firemen, and the pararescueman were deployed at the scene and Pedro landed on the baseball field adjacent to the crash site. The firemen assisted the base fire department in trying to control the fuel and ordnance fed fire. The flight engineer and pararescueman assisted in medevacing five survivors, in three flights, to the 366th Air Force Dispensary. Later, these five, plus three more survivors were medevaced from the 22d Casualty Staging Flight helipad to NSA hospital. The crew of Pedro 91 was:

Capt	James A. Tassie	AC
Capt	Roger E. Hill	CP
SSgt	Joseph L. Coburn	FE
SSgt	Reginald Ramseur	FF
Sgt	Carroll H. Bledsoe	FF
SSgt	Jules C. Smith	PJ

In addition, TSgt Gordon L. Ball, a flight engineer assigned to Detachment 7, who was off duty at the time, was instrumental in organizing the rescue effort on the ground. He directed Pedro

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