

DATE: 12 May 71

13 May 71

MISSION NUMBER: A3-018-12 May 71

AIRCRAFT DESIGNATION: King 24

DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT: Charlie Horse 828

LOCATION: 095/13/103

SAVES: 3 Combat

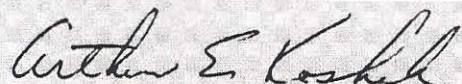
() At approximately 0415Z King 24 was proceeding North west towards Channel 103 to refuel Jolly Green 73 and Jolly Green 70 on an operational Air Refueling Mission. Upon passing by Channel 77 Jolly Green 70 reported sighting a Loach helicopter down in an open area just East of Channel 103. The TACAN position was 095/15/103. King 24 was in contact with both Jolly Green 70 and Jolly Green 73 at this time Jolly Green 70 had visual sighting of the survivors and recommended he make a quick pickup. He said he was familiar with the area and that it was not currently reported as being hostile. King 24 concurred with JG 70 for the pickup. Jolly Green 70 successfully made the pickup of the three survivors at 0430Z without any difficulty or hostile activity, and transported them to Channel 103. The call sign of the chopper was Charlie Horse 828 and was crewed by Vietnamese. King 24 monitored the SAR until the survivors were offloaded at Channel 103.

King 24 Crewmembers

AC/AMC	Major	Koshak
CP	1 Lt	Hedrick
N	Major	Delaney
RO	Sgt	Schmutz
FE	MSGT	Keel
FE	SSgt	Payne
LM	TSgt	Ferrand

SAR Forces

King 24
Jolly Green 70
Jolly Green 73



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