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0630 JH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
JG 65 OUT 0001-2400
JG 66 OUT 0001-2400
JG 72 OUT 0001-2400

1835 GH DAAR TO JOKER

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0615 JH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
ALPHA & MAINT STATUS TO JACK

1847 GH DAAR TO JOKER THRU JACK

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1825 GH DAAR TO JOKER THRU JACK

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0600 JH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
ALPHA & MAINT STATUS TO JACK

0950 JH PEDRO 61 ON TNG FLIGHT WHEN OBSERVES AN
ON-TO EXPLODE ON TAKEOFF, CALL SIGN NAIL 36
1 POB. PEDRO 61 PICKED UP PILOT, GOOD
CONDITION.

0955 JH PEDRO 61 ↓ 1 COMBAT SAVE

1825 GH DAAR Report to JOKER THRU JACK

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0630 JH SSG BREEDEN ON DUTY
ALPHA & MAINT STATUS TO JACK

1130 GH JG 65 ↑ ops ✓

1205 GH JG 65 ↓

1845 GH DAAR TO JOKER THRU JACK

				SURVIVOR NAME, RANK, SSAN & UNIT		
DATE	CREW	SAVE	JG		LOCATION	TYPE SAVE
1 NOV	BRUNER	878	71	UNKNOWN		7 COMBAT
7	HOOK	↓		CWO2 Michael Nelson		
	VICTOR	888/4		G2 Avn Co		
	WILSON			11 CAG		
	RICHARDSON			CWO2 Robert Schickstein		
	SUMNERFIELD			G2 Avn Co		
				11 CAG		
				W. L. L. Stephenson		
				Sys XXXXXXXXXX		
				TODDY AGUIRRE		
				Sys XXXXXXXXXX		
				LT(O-6) Callhane Edward		
				USNR		
				1st Angl Co		
				12th USMC		
				MEYERS, Francis		
				CPT McCHAE		
				1st Ranger Group		
13 NOV	LATHAM	886	PEDRO	SUNDGREN,	DWANA AR	1 COMBAT
	MOULTON		61	JOHNSON, 1LT		
	PARCHMENT			XXXXXXXXXX		
	GASKINS			23 TASS		
	MCCOY					

OCT	NOV	DEC
RADAR VAN DEST	1	
BRIDGES DEST	2	6
51 CAL DEST	1	
12.7MM DEST	1	3
BARGES DEST	2	

V (S) (U) NARRATIVE

A. Deployment of the 23rd TASS to Danang AB in South Vietnam continued until 14 December. The mission for the 23rd was cancelled at this time and the regular missions of Steel Tiger and Barrel Roll was started again. At this time the 23rd returned to NKP and began flying their regular Frag with the weather increment at Danang from November through December, this was the major factor in returning the 23rd to NKP.

B. The completion of installation of RHAW gear in the OV-10 fleet was accomplished in December. This gave the fleet an added praction against enemy missile systems that threats part of the OV-10's flying area.

C. On 23 November, Nail 36 (Lt John Sundgren) experienced an engine failure on take off at Danang. Due to low altitude and low airspeed due to take off configuration Lt Sundgren ejected to eject since the aircraft was going out of control. Three Minutes later he was recovered. Three hours later, the enemy had removed parts of the wreckage from the area.

D. During these three months, the 23rd participated in 12 SARs. The 23rd being primary SAR Sq for location of down crewmens was busy during this period. The increase in activity in both North and South Vietnam was factor in the increased. The 23rd flew 92 Sorties and 335.5 hrs in direct support of rescue activities. In the 12 SARs, the 23rd Nails was on score commander in each SAR. During the SAR's, the 23rd received no battle damage or loss of aircraft.