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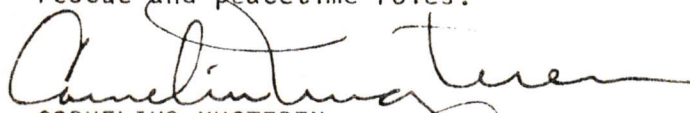
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Welcome

TO

Pararescue Management and Training Conference Attendees

1. On behalf of the men and women of Rescue Headquarters, welcome to Scott AFB and the Pararescue Management and Training Conference. I trust that your stay here will be pleasant and that your conference will be productive and informative.
2. As members of perhaps the most elite group in the Air Force today, the Pararescueman faces some of the toughest challenges. You are a key member of the Rescue team and a vital part of the combat rescue force. Because we rely on you to this extent, it is essential that your combat tactics, procedures, and equipment be fine tuned to make you as effective as possible.
3. During the past year we have made great strides in perfecting the Pararescue force, and in improving the lot of the Pararescueman in general. Testing will soon begin on a high glide ratio parachute to replace your present equipment. The Sky Genie modified stabo equipment and procedures will reach the field this year. New lightweight SCUBA tanks are now in engineering design and will also be in the field this year. The final operational test and evaluation of the PRC-103 radio is near, and this project stands to significantly enhance your communications capability. Finally, you know that the new administration is working hard to improve pay and benefits for the military, and I believe the results of these efforts will directly affect recruiting and retention in the pararescue field.
4. I want you to take as much information home with you as possible, and to challenge my staff with any problems you have brought from your unit. It will take a lot of hard work to make this conference a success, but I am confident your professional approach to this week's activities will greatly benefit our combat rescue and peacetime roles.


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SUBJECT: Minutes of Pararescue Conference

TO: See Distribution List

1. The attached Minutes of the Pararescue Conference are approved. The findings and recommendations of this conference have identified areas that could significantly contribute to the improved effectiveness of the ARRS combat mission. Staff agencies have been identified in the minutes to investigate each recommendation for its feasibility and weighted cost factor.

2. Action offices will submit their findings and recommendations to ARRS/DOS not later than 31 October 1981. All findings will be compiled into a final report with rationale for approval or disapproval on each recommendation. Concepts and procedures found applicable for adoption into ARRS combat operations will be discussed in complete detail with anticipated target dates for inclusion into current directives. This report will be made available for distribution to the field as soon as possible.

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ARRS Pararescue Conference

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The attached minutes are forwarded for your information. Please ensure widest possible dissemination to all assigned pararescuemen. It is emphasized that many of the recommendations are still being staffed at this Headquarters and distribution of these minutes does not constitute approval of proposed changes.

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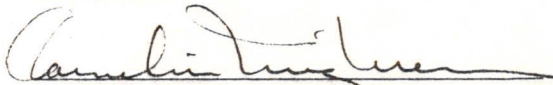
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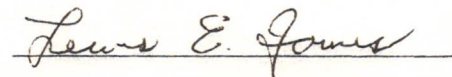
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INTRODUCTION

1. The 1981 ARRS Pararescue Conference convened at Scott AFB on 9 June 1981. Thirty-seven pararescue NCOICs, representing operational ARRS units, training centers, operating locations, AFSC, ANG, and AFRES, joined members of the staff from HQ ARRS and MAC/IG and conducted a highly successful conference.

2. The objectives of the conference were to:

a. Update unit representatives on current management policies and programs, the status of new equipment evaluation and procurement, the status of new training initiatives, and the development of current tactics programs.

b. Review existing management policies and procedures and recommend future courses of action to improve pararescue combat readiness.

c. Collectively resolve problems which impact upon the majority of the career field and assign OPRs to manage new action items.

d. Improve the interface and interaction between all levels of the pararescue career field.

3. Maj Gen Nugteren, ARRS/CC, opened the conference with welcoming comments and recognition of pararescue's outstanding support of the ARRS mission since he assumed command in September 1979. He expressed particular appreciation for CMSgt Walthers' many outstanding contributions to the pararescue career field, ARRS and the United States Air Force. He indicated that the need for a pararescue NCOIC conference is a valid requirement and long overdue. He directed conferees to forward recommendations for updated policy and guidance for the management and operational aspects of the career field. He explained his policy and purpose for assigning chiefs to the wings and senior master sergeants to the composite units. He directed the chiefs to meet quarterly. At the conclusion of his remarks, the conferees declared Maj Gen Nugteren an honorary pararescueman and presented him with a maroon beret encased in a walnut shadowbox.

4. Col James, ARRS/DO, opened his address to the pararescue conferees with a challenge to resolve the issues at hand, develop and update the policies under which pararescue will operate tomorrow and in the future, and determine the career field's direction and course for the next several years. He also focused on the concept of increasing combat oriented training while simultaneously reducing non-combat type training and currency to elevate our ability to get the job done without overburdening ourselves. Night combat rescue operations and training were highlighted and advocated, with reference to the current test programs.

5. Col Trapp, ARRS/ADO, reiterated his continued support of the pararescue program and expressed an appreciative awareness of the numerous initiatives the career field managers, supervisors and "trench troops" have taken to advance our combat capability. His strong support of the Sky Genie/STABO and high-glide ratio parachute canopy programs has contributed significantly to the increased state-of-the-art pararescue capability.

6. Maj Gen Nugteren also closed the conference with reference to the positive and forward-looking attitudes and ideas expressed by the conferees and career field managers throughout the week. He directed that another pararescue conference be convened in approximately six months.

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PART I

BRIEFINGS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

FOR THE

1981 PARARESCUE CONFERENCE

TOPIC: PARARESCUE CAREER FIELD MANAGEMENT

BRIEFER: CMSGT WHEELER

SYNOPSIS: The management of the pararescue career field is the collective responsibility of pararescuemen at HQ ARRS, Wings, Squadrons, Detachments and the Reserve forces locations. In past years and now, each unit has worked autonomously in the pursuit of local management. This is a very necessary requirement to maintain the assigned personnel at a level of readiness to meet our mission commitments. Somewhere along the line, an attitude of we against them developed toward the wings and this headquarters. This conflict has been recognized by ARRS/CC and myself during visits to units. The time has come to turn this attitude around to facilitate management and promote unity among this elite group. Greater communications between all managerial positions is not only a necessity, but a requisite for all echelons of management in order to meet the short and long range objectives of ARRS. ARRS/CC's realignment of chiefs to each wing and the ongoing program to place senior master sergeants at composite units is a part of the resolution.

As of this conference, we will enter a new era in the AFSC management. All active and Reserve NCOICs and wing PJs, in concert with the HQ ARRS PJs, will be brought into the decision making process on pararescue matters that have far-reaching impact on the career field. Through the respective wing chiefs, the management, training, equipment, tactics and procedures will be reviewed at all levels. The NCOICs are charged with the responsibility to expand and share this concept with the team members. Ultimately, the response to an issue must flow back to the wing chiefs in a timely manner for appropriate action to follow. The benefits of this approach will be the obvious participatory management by NCOICs and, more importantly, the participation by each PJ under your supervision. They will be an integral part of the career field decisions. The concept will work only if each of you participate and open the lines of communication.

Further, the origination of change need not be initiated from the top. The myriad of tasks necessary to maintain individual qualification along with the technical advancements in equipment and the associated procedures, demands a constant review of our operation. Our PJs have good ideas that may provide improvement to existing programs or new ideas. These inputs must be presented to the wing chiefs. The quarterly meetings of the chiefs will be the forum to evaluate the ideas and establish a course of action. The minutes of these quarterly meetings will be provided to each unit.

A sincere effort by each pararescueman will demonstrate the unity, cohesiveness and singular direction of the career field. We must maintain our eliteness from within. Your active participation in this managerial concept and support of the collective decisions will turn the direction of the career field toward a common goal.

TOPIC: ACTIVE DUTY PARARESCUE MANNING

BRIEFER: CMSGT WHEELER

SYNOPSIS: Pararescue manning is below and will remain below a desired level due to the loss of experienced pararescuemen world-wide. These losses are a result of medical disqualification, retirement, voluntary withdrawal, and separation from the service. The 1980 losses were 43, and so far in 1981, the known losses will be 21 up to Jul 81. The career field will remain undermanned and short of experience in the foreseeable future. Greater demands will be placed on the lesser experienced pararescuemen to get the job done. Recommend active and Reserve force pararescuemen continue to promote the AFSC through base and local community participation with pararescue resources.

TOPIC: REPLACEMENT PARACHUTE FOR PARARESCUE (HIGH GLIDE RATIO PARACHUTE)

BRIEFER: CMSGT FERNANDEZ

SYNOPSIS: A requirement for improved parachuting equipment was identified by MAC Combat Controllers and ARRS in 1979. The new equipment will provide precision parachute jumps under static line conditions. Test start is Aug 81. Test team composed

of 15 combat control team members and five ARRS pararescuemen. The ARRS pararescuemen are CMSgts Wheeler and Fernandez, SSgts Beranek and Jefson, and Sgt O'Dell. All are qualified and on station at Eglin AFB working for the 39 ARRW/DO. (Exception, CMSgt Wheeler assigned to ARRS.) Final test report due Jul 82.

TOPIC: NEW MEDICAL TRAINING

BRIEFER: MSGT PIGHINI

SYNOPSIS: New training techniques have been implemented at the Pararescue School and have been recommended to the field units. A blacked out room was constructed for Situational Medical Exercises (SMEs) that simulates night conditions. This allows use of night vision goggles (NVGs) during simulated night SMEs. The cockpit portion of a light aircraft and helicopter has been set up for SME use to aid in extraction training. Mass triage exercises have been instituted (up to 15 victims) to train for mass disasters. Minimum time SMEs have been instituted to better simulate combat conditions.

TOPIC: NEW MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

BRIEFER: MSGT PIGHINI

SYNOPSIS: New equipment entering the inventory or presently being tested includes: a new medical kit container to improve speed and ease of patient treatment, a new backboard that provides greater utilization and will replace both the long and short spine boards presently in use, and an electronic stethoscope that may be usable on board helicopters.

TOPIC: NEW MEDICAL DRUGS

BRIEFER: MSGT PIGHINI

SYNOPSIS: New drugs being studied are: Nubain, to replace Demerol as an analgesic (pain killer), which is as effective but not a controlled drug; Gentamicin, an anti-biotic that is more effective against lower GI tract infections (appendicitis); and Phenegran and Ephedrine sulfate, an anti-motion sickness medication for PJ use as required post water entry. Due to potential side effects (sedation), prior testing of this medication under flight surgeon supervision will be required before use by any individual is authorized.

TOPIC: MEDICAL PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

BRIEFER: MSGT PIGHINI

SYNOPSIS: ARRS Regulation 167-1 is being revised at this time to reflect the new equipment being brought into the inventory and contain the required drug control procedures. ARRS Regulation 167-2 will be deleted when Demerol is replaced by Nubain. ARRS Regulation 160-34 has been changed three times recently and one more change is presently being drafted. Subsequent to Change 4, the entire regulation will be reviewed and rewritten.

TOPIC: ARRS/SG CURRENT INITIATIVES

BRIEFER: COL BRUNSTETTER

SYNOPSIS: New medical training techniques have been implemented at the Pararescue School. New medical equipment is entering the inventory. New drugs are being studied to replace or complement existing authorizations. Several medical publications are under review. Request written input or recommendations from units concerning CFS techniques, cold weather CPR, SME on board aircraft, SME in CWDE, and five to ten

minute SMEs in helicopter during transport to hospital. Accumulative fatigue problems encountered by PJs and the administration of stimulants (dexadrine) are being studied. New audiovisual tapes are being programmed for wing reproduction and distribution. Consideration is being given to placing new medical equipment in the JPG. Captain (Dr) Craig D. Silverton, USAF (Res), is near completion of PJ training at Kirtland AFB, NM, and will be assigned as the Wing Surgeon at the 403 RWRW, Selfridge ANGB, MI.

TOPIC: SEVEN LEVEL ADVANCE MEDICAL TRAINING

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: Every operational pararescueman, 5 level and above, obligated to serve more than four years active federal military service is eligible to attend. Training must be completed before the third year anniversary. Pararescue NCOICs must monitor this requirement. Pararescuemen overdue this requirement will not be used operationally. Servicing CBPOs (DPMP Classification - Training Sections) with info's to all ARRS units, will now be receiving class dates and attendees lists. ARRS/DOT waivers and quotas for the Seven Level Advance Medical Training Course will be sent to ARRS/Wings, TSgt Pecoraro, Autovon 638-5801.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE QUALIFICATION TRAINING PROGRAM

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: The highly mobile nature of ARRS requires that each 115X0 maintain maximum proficiency in as many of the career field related tasks as possible. Since ARRS units with pararescue assigned are geographically separated and surrounded by differing typography, climatological, and environmental conditions, each unit must maximize the qualification training opportunities available in their areas. Unit Commanders, DOs, NCOICs, and pararescue training NCOs will develop a realistic qualification training program that may be spread over a calendar year. Qualification training will focus on the STS tasks which can be accomplished in the unit's area of operation. The use of specialized training courses, Bergwacht Summer/Winter Mountain Rescue, Arctic Survival School, Academic Instructors Course, Recondo Training, enhance the in-unit qualification programs and are desired for the upgrade of instructor candidates or current instructor personnel. NCOICs will coordinate with their unit and/or higher headquarters for quotas for specialized training. Maximum effort should be given to joint training exercises with active, NGB, and AFRES units. The training at a particular unit may offer another unit a training opportunity not available locally. Participation in training of this nature must be cost effective and requires close coordination between participating units.

TOPIC: ALTITUDE DIVE TABLES

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: Diving operations are authorized with SCUBA at altitudes above sea level after initial training and qualification. Initial training will consist of instruction on the use of normal and exceptional operating limits tables and instruction on the operating limitations and hazards associated with diving at altitudes. Initial qualification will consist of a 20 question test on altitude diving limitations, hazards and diving table problems. Problems will include repetitive and nonrepetitive dives. Documentation will be IAW AFR 50-23, Chapter 6, para 6-9. The AF Form 1098 entry in the task column will be, "Altitude Dive Qual, ARRSR 55-11, Chapter 21." All conferees were administered the required training, tested and certified. Letters of certification will be transcribed in the individuals' AF Forms 623.

TOPIC: ARRSR 55-11

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: ARRSR 55-11 has had three changes to it since its printing date of 15 Jun 80. ARRSR 55-11, Change 4 is expected to be in the field by July. Significant changes are: Tactical Deployments deleted (Para 11-5, 11-16); Supplemental Oxygen Requirements

Para 8-7); Authorized Depth Gauge (Para 18-5c(1)); Addition of references for training; Malfunction reporting procedures; H-1 deployment procedures; and fallen leader procedures.

TOPIC: 115X0 SPECIALTY TRAINING STANDARD (STS)

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: STS developed at 1550th Pararescue School in March 1981. Subject matter specialists were: CMSgt Wheeler, CMSgt Tobey, CMSgt Madamba, SMSgt Baehr and SMSgt Spears. STS being reviewed by HQ ARRS. The following recommendations have been made thus far: Remove the Supply Functions from STS; add the cricothyroidotomy, cut downs, thoracentesis and KED short spine board; expand combat tasks performances in STS; and add Three Level tasks proficiencies to STS for evaluation and certification purposes. Projected final review and forwarding to ATC for coordination - Aug 81.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE DOV RECORDS REVIEW

BRIEFER: MSGT FISK

SYNOPSIS: Pararescue currency and training are documented in the Flight Record Folder (FRF), Flight Evaluation Folder (FEF), Jump Record Folder (JRF), and the ARRS Form 56E. ASETs/SAVs have revealed numerous discrepancies existing between the four records. At present, FERSs and NCOICs have no established, in-depth, accurate method of inspecting and validating the contents. ARRS/DOV PJs have devised and are implementing during their ASET/SAV trips a methodical and in-depth method of inspecting the above referenced records. This method utilizes the correlation of all four records as a means of validating and cross-checking the accuracy of each.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

BRIEFER: MSGT FISK

SYNOPSIS: The nature of the mission of ARRS exposes pararescue personnel to a myriad of technical duties and responsibilities, any of which entail specific procedures during emergency situations. Pararescuemen are required to respond immediately during such situations. Many units are presently annotating 90-day Emergency Procedures (EP) completion during routine pre-flight duties, pre-deployment briefings, and/or random Q/A sessions when only a portion of the EPs are actually reviewed. In most cases, if recited from memory, the EPs are not stated in the entirety or in chronological order. Further, some Composite and Category B units are reviewing rotor wing EPs applicable only to the aircraft assigned to their unit. ARRSR 55-11, para 6-13, has been rewritten providing more definitive guidance to the completion of EPs. All headings and subheadings in the rewrite (para 6-13a through 6-13f) will be reviewed before being considered complete and creditable to the 90-day currency requirement. Once this has been accomplished, documentation will be on ARRS Form 56E.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAM

BRIEFER: MSGT FISK

SYNOPSIS: The stress and endurance demands placed on pararescue personnel necessitate absolute physical conditioning. Under the current concept of ARRS rapid deployment, individual physical demands are envisioned as being increased. Therefore, the pararescueman's state of physical fitness must be elevated to a state of physical readiness. In keeping with this concept, a Pararescue Physical Readiness Program should be implemented in future months. Definitive guidance for development and training will be contained in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II. In preparation for publication of ARRSR 55-11, Vol II, ARRSR 55-11, (Vol I), para 5-3 should reflect a time limitation for completion of the present Physical Fitness Evaluation.

TOPIC: REVISION OF THE ARRS FORM 56E, PARARESCUE CURRENCY TRAINING LOG

BRIEFER: MSGT PATTERSON

SYNOPSIS: Existing ARRS Form 56E (Sep 77) does not meet the present needs of pararescue managers. Specifically, data on the ARRS Form 56E does not reflect existing currency requirements, and terminology is not standardized. The Mission Plan/Objective Briefing Guide (reverse side of form) does not provide adequate coverage of mission details and is in conflict with ARRS 55-10 checklist. Form users presently lack guidance for implementation, utilization, completion, control, and disposition. ARRS/DOV has revised the ARRS Form 56E to align present currency. Comprehensive and concise instructions have been established for the completion and use of the ARRS Form 56E. The ARRS Form 56E is a management tool for ensuring a complete and balanced training program. This comprehensive guidance will provide NCOICs and Training Managers the method to effectively utilize this tool.

TOPIC: REVISION TO ARRS 55-10, PARARESCUE AIRCREW OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES (ABBREVIATED)

BRIEFER: MSGT PATTERSON

SYNOPSIS: ARRS 55-10 has been completely revised in content and sequence to provide all required reference material and to follow normal mission sequence. The Mission Plan/Objective Briefing Checklist has been revised to be more comprehensive for operational/training mission data collection, mission planning, and mission briefing. The revision will eliminate the conflict with ARRS 55-11 and the confusion and lengthiness currently experienced in briefings. The more accurate and concise briefings should greatly enhance mission preparation.

TOPIC: WEAPON PROFICIENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

BRIEFER: TSGT PECORARO

SYNOPSIS: Current Air Force weapons training programs do not provide the necessary level of weapons proficiency required for pararescue operational combat requirements. This is due to a change in rescue concepts which has increased the pararescueman's reliability on his GAU-5 and .38 cal pistol for defense of the aircraft, survivor, and himself. ARRS/DOT has recommended that Air Force change AFR 50-57 (Small Arms Marksman-ship Training Program) to reflect a Small Arms Training Group change from B to A for pararescuemen. This training group change will allow the pararescue career field personnel to fire the GAU-5 semiannually, once utilizing the Air Force Qualification Training Course and 5-7 months later, utilizing a specialized course of fire. The .38 cal pistol will continue to be fired annually. In-unit training programs will still continue to be the primary means of developing experience in the areas discussed. Only by continued "hands-on" training in locally generated exercises can we hope to familiarize pararescuemen with their duty weapons. A continuous effort must be made by NCOICs and Commanders to incorporate weapons into combat situational exercises to improve weapons handling.

TOPIC: WEAPONS AND MUNITIONS

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: ARRS/DORJ and DORQ continue to evaluate the adequacy of the current ARRS small arms inventory. Numerous side arms, submachine guns and special purpose weapons, such as shotguns and grenade launchers, are being looked at. The current inventories of pyrotechnics, simulators and hand delivered ordnance are being reviewed for inclusion in the revised AFRs 50-21 and 50-41. Approved courses of training are being identified and published along with the increased frequency of qualification and training requirements. Basic and sustaining quantities of ammunition, pyrotechnics and munitions are being identified and published. Employment safety and techniques and maintenance procedures will be explained in detail in ARRS 55-11, Vol II.

TOPIC: OPERATIONAL AND TRAINING COMBAT EQUIPMENT

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: The basic pararescue equipment load for both fixed and rotary wing recovery operations is being identified and included in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II. Basic and sustaining quantities of subsistence items such as food, water, ammunition, pyrotechnics and munitions, are also being identified. Resupply, LOGFOR and WRM requirements for the referenced items, plus medical supplies, are being coordinated with ARRS/LGX. New load bearing equipment (LBE) was demonstrated and will be forwarded to ARRS/DORQ for service test and/or evaluation. This revolutionary approach to the continuing LBE dilemma appears to have merit. It could conceivably reduce the cost and amount of equipment required for load bearing. The multiple integrated laser engagement system equipment (MILES) program was reviewed. Initial reports from Red Flag 81-4 indicate that the MILES equipment has introduced a long-needed increase in the realism to the notion of tactical exercising and validation of tactics.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE TACTICS

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: Employment concepts and the respective employment methodology were briefed. The fact that employment distance and duration capabilities are dependent upon employed element size and threat intensity was also briefed. While employment parameters were briefed, the pararescue role and tasks were intentionally not addressed pending determination of ARRS fixed-wing and helicopter role and tasks. Objective area tactics and actions, along with evader contact procedures, were identified as very critical aspects of both the surface and air components of the combat rescue scenario. The policy of systematic threat avoidance, suppression, and evasion established in ARRSR 3-1 was re-enforced. Break contact and withdraw concepts and techniques were also reviewed.

TOPIC: TACTICAL COMMUNICATIONS

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

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SYNOPSIS: The command, control and communications (C3) aspect of pararescue tactical operations is recognized as one of high priority and importance. C3 procedures are outlined in detail in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II. The increased capability, security and clandestine posture provided by the URC-101, PRC-103, and DCT were briefed, and graphically demonstrated in the case of the DCT. Uniform verbal pro-words and visual arm and hand signals are explained and/or illustrated in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II.

TOPIC: INTELLIGENCE

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: Increased interaction with the intelligence community has resulted in some very positive programs being accomplished in direct support of pararescue ground operations. Essential Elements of Information (EEI) have been identified, coordinated within ARRS, MAC, the Pacific and European theaters, and have been submitted for inclusion in appropriate OPLANS. Weekly medical intelligence reports are now being distributed to all wings with instructions to provide widest dissemination, particularly among pararescue elements. Coordination has been initiated for the establishment of continuing intelligence requirements. Mission planning guidance is now being coordinated within ARRS. Format and instruction will be published in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II.

TOPIC: COMBAT EXERCISES

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: The primary purpose of exercising the force is to identify shortfalls and validate capabilities rather than learn new procedures and/or techniques. ARRS OPLAN 9545 outlines the exercise deployment, employment, and redeployment concept and policy.

It is currently under revision. Planning conference participation by pararescue personnel is mandatory and fundamental to successful attainment of exercise objectives. The conduct of pararescue operations will be synonymous with guidance contained in ARRSRs 3-1 and 55-11. Rules of engagement must be delineated prior to exercise commencement. The aggressor role must be thoroughly understood by all participants and should be propagated by aggressor OPODER if necessary. Training criteria and constraints falling outside the purview of ARRS OPLAN 9545, and peculiar to a specific exercise, must be thoroughly understood and documented prior to exercise start. Internal evaluation and analysis should be accomplished during every exercise and appropriately documented to correct deficiencies and preclude making the same mistakes over and over. Unit and individual capabilities and limitations must be thoroughly understood by all participants and succinctly documented when necessary to maintain adequate control of an exercise and insure acceptable safety standards.

TOPIC: 9MM SIDEWINDER SUBMACHINE GUN

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BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: A briefing and demonstration of the referenced SMG was conducted at the Scott AFB Small Arms Range. All conferees were given the opportunity to participate in hands-on familiarization course of fire. This is one of several abbreviated SMGs being looked at for possible pararescue application. Criteria includes: fires accurately with one hand, adjustable cyclic rate, light weight, uses ammunition compatible with sidearm, easy to maintain, high reliability, excellent durability, small size, rapid reloading, and PJ proof.

TOPIC: SURVIVAL EVASION RESISTANCE ESCAPE AND RECOVERY (SERER) PROGRAM

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: The entire program is being driven toward joint service interoperability. ARRS/DORJ and 3636 CCTW are working closely to resolve ideological and technical differences between the survival course curriculum and current ARRS methods of conducting recovery operations. The Designated Area for Recovery of Evaders (DARE) program is in ARRS coordination, but not officially recognized, and therefore, should not be referenced, particularly in official correspondence. Delta points may be used. The trust of SERER increases the evader's responsibilities for his own recovery and employs common procedures. The Evasion Plan of Action (EPA) program published in AFIS SERE Guides is being developed further for early ARRS application.

TOPIC: PUBLICATIONS WHICH ARE INFLUENCING PARARESCUE TACTICAL OPERATIONS

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: ARRSR 3-1, Chapter 8, was changed from being strictly pararescue oriented to being generally ARRS aircrew oriented to promote the integrated aircrew concept and help dispel the notion that pararescue is an entity which should be segregated from the ARRS aircrew. Draft copy of ARRSR 55-11, Volumes II and III, will be forwarded to appropriate units in August/September time frame. Unit NCOICs will attend next pararescue conference with referenced publications and recommended changes, additions or deletions in typed draft copy. JCS Pub XX, Vol I, covers Joint Service combat rescue doctrine, responsibilities and policy. Volume II will identify and explain Joint Service rescue equipment and procedures which are generally common to all services. ARRS/DORJ is recommending some minor, but very significant, changes to AFR 64-3 pending a complete rewrite of this Joint Service directive, if directed by JCS. Examples include evader location, identification, contact, authentication, and verification procedures. AFM 200-3 is currently being revised as JCS Pub XX, Volumes I and II. The pararescue classification guide is proposed to be a spin-off of the current AFR 64-3 classification guidance since the majority of the secure pararescue operations are directly related to evader activities.

TOPIC: PARARESCUE TACTICS OVERVIEW AND INITIATIVES

BRIEFER: LT COL MCARDLE

SYNOPSIS: Tactics related publications currently under review or being developed include: ARRSR 3-1, Change 1; ARRSR 55-11, Volumes II and III; JCS Pub XX (not yet numbered), Volumes I and II; AFR 64-3; AFM 200-3; and the Pararescue Classification Guide. The Survival, Evasion, Resistance, Escape and Recovery (SERER) program continues to gain momentum and support at Joint Service, Air Force and MAJCOM levels. Weapons and munitions problems have been adequately identified, but are slow in being resolved. The relationship between operations and intelligence grows healthier each day. A better understanding of each other's capabilities and requirements is recognized in both directorates. Several command control communications improvements are funded and considered to have near-term completion dates. Pararescue tactics are being recognized and are receiving greater emphasis as an integral part of the collective ARRS objective area tactics.

TOPIC: MOBILITY AND DEPLOYMENT

BRIEFER: MSGT GALDE

SYNOPSIS: The mobility shipment container issue was briefed. Advantages and disadvantages of mobility bins, nesting crates, footlockers, and A-3 bags were discussed. The concept of using more than one containerizing system, resulting in a breakdown capability, was explained. Availability of organic and support airlift was appraised for both inter-theater and overseas deployment. The level of self-sufficiency required for a deployed pararescue section/element was briefed and will be thoroughly explained in ARRSR 55-11, Vol II. The notion of maintaining a world-wide employment capability while deploying in response to a specific tasking was briefed as being impractical, if not impossible to attain logistically. The importance of understanding climatological considerations involving both geographical and environmental conditions was given additional emphasis. The logistical impact recognized when equipping to operate in any part of the climatological/environmental spectrum during a specific deployment was identified and briefed at length.

✓ TOPIC: URC-101 RADIO AND DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS TERMINAL (DCT)

BRIEFER: CAPT DONOVAN

SYNOPSIS: DCT equipment demonstrations were conducted in conjunction with a briefing on the URC-101. The proposed communications enhancement program will support Bare Base/FOL operations with secure and jam resistant, long-range, line-of-sight and satellite, voice and data capability utilizing the UHF/VHF, AM/FM frequency spectrum. Air Staff has been briefed, and FY 83 money was approved for DCT only. URC-101 radios will be an FY 84 issue. Similar enhancement modification for the PRC-90/103/112 radios is being discussed with industry and would provide burst transmission of alphanumeric data. It would work in conjunction with SAS and ERCS, and add approximately ¼ inch thickness to referenced radios.

PART II

AGENDA TOPICS

DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ITEM 1. QUARTERLY MEETING AND COORDINATION REQUIREMENTS FOR HQ ARRS AND ARRS WING
PARARESCUE CHIEF MASTER SERGEANTS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. ARRS/CC explained how the relocation of the pararescue Chiefs is being organized.

b. Emphasis was placed on the Chiefs' authority to conduct coordination processes and maintain direct lines of communication with higher headquarters and subordinate units.

c. The Chief of USAF Pararescue and wing pararescue chiefs will meet quarterly to coordinate assignments, operational and training issues, and other major business issues.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS pararescue take immediate action to place policy in effect.

b. The first meeting should be held in conjunction with SAREX 81 to save travel costs.

ITEM 2. COMMAND PARARESCUE BRIEFING

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The briefing presents an overview of pararescue capabilities, a brief history of pararescue, the current qualification training program, in-unit proficiency and upgrade training, and closes with an insight into the future of the career field.

b. Several units requested a copy of the script and/or slides.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS reproduce one copy each for the active duty and Reserve wings, plus the NGB groups. (OPR: ARRS/CCEA)

b. ARRS maintain the master copy for update.

ITEM 3. PARARESCUE MANNING OF DET 24, 40 ARRS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The NCOIC of Det 24, 40 ARRS briefed the current non-combat role of assigned PJs.

b. Concern was centered on the lack of combat training and a limited sense of purpose. The latter was in light of the survival instructors at Det 1, 40 ARRS performing the same mission for the water survival school as the PJs perform at Det 24.

c. The expressed feeling of the NCOIC was that the five assigned PJs could be more effectively utilized at other ARRS units with PJs assigned. Additionally, the current mission tasking could be performed by survival instructors.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

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a. ARRS study the feasibility of replacing the Det 24, 40 ARRS assigned PJs with survival instructors. (OPR: ARRS/DORP)

b. If feasible, assigned pararescuemen may be PCS to units with manpower shortages. (OPR: ARRS/DOS)

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c. The five manpower positions at Det 24, 40 ARRS may be relocated as follows:
(OPR: ARRS/DORP)

(1) Pos Nr 0061662 - Pararescue/Rec Spec All550 Sgt - to Det 6, 40 ARRS.
This will increase Det 6 to six assigned to meet Space Shuttle recovery commitments.

(2) The remaining four positions to Det 8, 37 ARRS, Vandenberg AFB. This will increase Det 8 from the present two authorized (unmanned) to six and meet Space Shuttle recovery requirements.

d. When position action is completed, PJ organizational equipment will be transferred from Det 24 to Det 8. (OPR: 40 ARRS/DOV, OCR: 39 ARRW/DOV)

ITEM 4. OVERMANNING OF PARARESCUE POSITIONS IN ARF GAINED UNITS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Conferees queried ARRS/CC about the possibility of overmanning ARF gained units with pararescue personnel.

b. All referenced units (exception, 102 ARRS) indicated they were turning pararescue applicants away.

c. Conferees collectively felt that they could overman as high as 20% without initiating additional recruiting efforts.

d. All conferees concurred with the concept of increasing ARF gained pararescue manpower for the purpose of augmenting and backfilling active duty shortfalls in the event of major tasking.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

ARRS request authorization to overman ARF gained pararescue sections.
(OPR: ARRS/CSB)

ITEM 5. PARARESCUE COMBAT ROLE AND TASKS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The All5X0 career field has advanced its operational combat capabilities to a point which exceeds that of ARRS aircrews and aircraft.

b. Unit level pararescue NCOICs should redirect time and effort spend on the research and advancement of new operational techniques and procedures toward proficiency training.

c. Attendees collectively agreed that ARRS operational requirements and aircraft capabilities will ultimately determine the combat role and tasks of pararescue.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS/DO determine and publish the current pararescue combat role at the earliest date. (OPR: ARRS/DOR)

b. ARRS Staff pararescuemen determine All5X0 career field tasks based on published role. (OPR: ARRS/DOR)

ITEM 6. PARARESCUE SMALL ARMS TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Conferees unanimously agreed that small arms must be employed during combat training exercises.

b. Pararescue personnel must be individually issued a rifle and handgun by butt number or serial number for the duration of their tour at each base of assignment.

c. Pararescue personnel must use individually issued weapons for AFQC and SPC qualification training.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

ARRS coordinate pararescue small arms training requirements with MAJCOM for inclusion in appropriate directives. (OPR: ARRS/DOT, OCR: ARRS/DORJ)

ITEM 7. PARARESCUE SMALL ARMS AND MUNITIONS INVENTORY

1. DISCUSSION:

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a. Conferees expressed the need for more applicable types of grenades and small arms to be included in ARRS inventory.

b. Specific items addressed were: abbreviated submachine gun, shotgun, grenade launcher, and semi-automatic pistol.

c. All conferees agreed that this weaponry is necessary to provide adequate defense against current battlefield weaponry possessed by threat countries.

d. All conferees agreed that these weapons should be added to the ARRS inventory rather than replace current weapons, except possibly in the case of the handgun.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS submit request for TA authorization of appropriate weapons in USAF inventory. (OPR: ARRS/DORQ)

b. ARRS conduct service tests and appropriate optimum weapon(s) not currently in USAF inventory. (OPR: ARRS/DORJ)

ITEM 8. 102 ARRS WEAPONS UTILIZATION

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The 102 ARRS is currently prohibited from using weapons for any type of training exercise, as directed by the New York Governor and Adjutant General of the New York Guard.

b. The problems center around security of the weapons and the authority to use force in guaranteeing that security.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS and NGB take action to resolve the problem.

b. Alternatives may include TDY to another location for weapons training, limiting weapons training to areas within the base perimeter, the use of MILES equipment on weapons modified for semi-automatic and blank fire only, Security Police escort during all training, or a combination of several precautionary measures. (OPR: ARRS/CSB)

ITEM 9. ARRS PROCUREMENT OF MULTIPLE INTEGRATED LASER ENGAGEMENT SYSTEM (MILES) TRAINING TECHNOLOGY

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Conferees agreed that ARRS should actively pursue the requisition of MILES equipment for the purpose of validating aircrew objective area tactics and the tactical integrity pararescue surface operations.

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b. Discussion also focused on the degree of inaccurate gamesmanship involved in simulated enemy encounters currently sustained during combat exercises.

c. Suggested distribution included 1550 ATTW Pararescue School and the proposed RATS with smaller quantities being made available for Red Flag and other JCS/MAJCOM directed exercises.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

ARRS submit unfunded requirement for a minimum of 60 sets of MILES.
(OPR: ARRS/LGS)

ITEM 10. NVGs AUTHORIZED FOR PJ GROUND USE

1. DISCUSSION:

a. ARRS/DO concurs with TA authorization for BOI per PJ section.

b. ARRS/DO concurs with interim PJ use of NVGs on an as available basis.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRS use IR metascopes as primary night viewing device.

b. ARRS/DO msg to units providing policy on pararescue use of NVG.
(OPR: ARRS/DOT)

ITEM 11. JOINT TASK FORCE TRAINING

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Recent JTF deployment required pararescuemen to perform combat related tasks with inadequate training or qualification.

b. JTF operations without rehearsal or frequent joint training presents high potential for accidents, injuries, and/or failure based on human error.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. Appraise command of combat training deficiencies. (OPR: ARRS/DOS)

b. Increase interactive training frequency with JTF elements.

c. Review hard copy tasking to ensure capabilities are commensurate with task. (OPR: ARRS/CAT)

d. Ensure mutual flow of communication concerning tasking is clear and thoroughly understood. (OPR: ARRS/DOS)

e. Publish clear and concise pararescue combat role and tasks. (OPR: ARRS/DO)

ITEM 12. CLASSIFICATION GUIDANCE FOR ARRS PUBLICATIONS AND OPERATIONS

1. DISCUSSION:

ARRSR 55-11, Vol III will contain classified information directly related to pararescue combat operations.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

- a. ARRS publish a classification guide which meets pararescue requirements.
- b. Pararescue personnel become familiar with and use AFM 200-3 classification guidance pending receipt of ARRS guide.

ITEM 13. PARARESCUE CWDE, SURVIVAL AND FIELD LOAD BEARING EQUIPMENT COMPATIBILITY

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The current inventory of pararescue equipment designed for chemical warfare defense (air and ground), load bearing of survival and field equipment, various methods of insertion and extraction (parachute and Sky Genie/STABO), and personal protection from hostile weapons fire is incompatible, inadequate, and does not serve in the best interest of individual safety or security.

b. Conferees agreed upon the need for a multi-purpose equipment ensemble, specifically designed to meet pararescue requirements.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

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PRG* ARRS research, identify and service test military and commercial candidate items to meet current and projected requirements. (OPR: ARRS/DORQ, OCR: 1550 ATTW/OT&E)

ITEM 14. PJ TRAINING WITH OTHER UNITS OR DISSIMILAR AIRCRAFT

1. DISCUSSION:

Operations officers are frequently reluctant to allow PJs to accomplish training with other units or from other than unit aircraft.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

Unit pararescue NCOICs and DOs should schedule aerial, ground and water training with other units when time permits and funds are available.

ITEM 15. DROP ZONE COMMUNICATION

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PRC 104* 1. DISCUSSION:

a. Many attendees expressed concern of the lost time by ground/water party personnel waiting for the aircraft to arrive on station. In most cases, the land or water drop zone is far removed from land line communications.

b. Drop zone/water party personnel remain on station after the scheduled TOT rather than risk missing the aircraft and delaying the scheduled events.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. Units with land and water training areas should have a portable HF capability.

b. Units requiring this capability should submit AF Form 601b action for a desired HF radio.

c. Units should coordinate with the host base for maintenance of the radio and incorporate this need in the next revision to the AFR 11-4 agreement.
(OPR: ARRS/LG/LGS)

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ITEM 16. ALTITUDE RESTRICTIONS FOR MOUNTAIN TRAINING

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The conferees generally disagreed with rigid MSL elevation or high altitude operating limitations established by regulation.

b. Specific disagreement was voiced with the limitations being established as the 10,000 foot level, regardless of terrain and weather considerations or the para-rescue team's equipment, qualification and/or capabilities.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

ARRSR 55-11 be changed to allow the local pararescue NCOIC to determine the training altitude restrictions. (OPR: ARRS/DOT)

ITEM 17. SUPPLY ASSISTANCE

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Wing representatives noted that pararescue supply representatives do not always attempt to resolve supply problems at unit or base level before requesting wing assistance. This places an unnecessary burden on wing representatives.

b. Valid supply difficulties should be forwarded to the wings for assistance.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

Unit Commanders and pararescue NCOICs carefully screen requests for wing supply assistance before forwarding. (OPR: ARRS Units)

ITEM 18. INDIVIDUAL MOBILITY EQUIPMENT ISSUE

1. DISCUSSION:

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a. The conferees identified a significant problem with team members not being authorized or issued A and B mobility bags.

b. This situation requires team members to deploy to FOLs with sleeping, messing and general purpose equipment that is intended for operational use only.

c. Frequently the equipment is returned to the garrison in unserviceable (wet, dirty, torn, etc.) condition and replacement equipment is not available.

d. Degradation of pararescue capability results.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. ARRSR 67-1 be changed to authorize A and B mobility bags and contents. (OPR: ARRS/LGS)

b. Restrict use of A and B equipment bags to FOLs only.

ITEM 19. DISTRIBUTION OF PARARESCUE MISSION REPORTS

1. DISCUSSION:

a. A suggestion was made to distribute one copy of each operational pararescue mission report to every pararescue section.

b. Reasons for this action included medical crosstell and increased emphasis on the importance of accurate and in-depth mission reporting.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

Conferees disapproved the proposal.

ITEM 20. TDY ASSISTANCE FOR MEDICAL TRAINING

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Conferees recommended that a mobile medical training team concept be employed to assist NCOICs with their in-unit medical training.

b. The consensus of active duty NCOICs concluded that current medical training programs are adequate.

c. The consensus of ARF gained unit NCOICs concluded that they could use augmented medical training expertise, specifically during extended unit training periods.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. AFRES and NGB NCOICs staff the referenced mobile training team project.
(OPR: NGB/AFRES Units)

b. Advise ARRS/SG of final analysis and any requests for active duty assistance.
(OPR: ARRS/SG, OCR: 1550 ATTW/TTJ)

ITEM 21. ADVANCED CASUALTY CARE COURSE ATTENDANCE

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Overseas ARRS units lose a PJ for three weeks during attendance at the Advanced Casualty Care Course.

b. The present manning at the overseas locations and the projected manning career field-wide is holding at 90 percent. The loss of an experienced man for three weeks detracts from the unit's capability.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

a. Pararescuemen will attend the course prior to overseas departure if available quotas will allow.

b. The AFR 39-11 should include an assignment action code (AAC) which will be identified by AFMPC on assignment notification to the individual's CBPO. PCS orders will reflect that this training will be accomplished prior to PCS.

c. Course OPR (ARRS/DOT) will work closely with the functional manager to schedule overseas PCS personnel.

ITEM 22. CROSS-TRAINEE APPLICATION WITH DRUG ABUSE HISTORY, REF: AFR 39-11

1. DISCUSSION:

a. Conferees deliberated on the issue of accepting cross-trainee applications from individuals with a documented history of drug abuse.

b. A unanimous decision not to accept referenced cross-trainee applications was expressed by conferees.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

ARRS submit recommended change to AFR 39-11 indicating that substantiated drug abusers are not eligible for cross-training into pararescue career field. (OPR: ARRS/DOT)

ITEM 23. TIME CRITERIA FOR PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

1. DISCUSSION:

a. The ARRS proposal to require complete physical fitness testing to be accomplished within six hours met with considerable opposition.

b. NCOICs identified problems associated with climatological situations, availability of facilities, transportation time between facilities and scheduling difficulties.

c. The majority of conferees are satisfied with present criteria.

2. RECOMMENDATION:

Conferees disapproved the proposed physical fitness test time criteria.