

POINT PAPER

SUBJECT: Helicopter Insertion/Extraction Procedures (For Pararescue Chief's Conference, 25 Feb-1 Mar 85) (General)

DISCUSSION:

- Pararescue has been restricted to hoist, free-fall swimmer and airlanding methods of helicopter insertion and extraction.
- Other helicopter insertion/extraction methods including rappelling, STABO, rope ladder and fast rope have been developed and used by special operation forces.
- 23 AF began a program in Feb 84 to develop these procedures for our combat rescue units to improve the 23 AF combat rescue capability.
- 39 ARRW and 1 SQW were tasked in Mar 84 to provide standardized helicopter insertion/extraction procedures to 23 AF.
- Previously developed fast rope and rope ladder procedures for the HH-53/HH-3 were forwarded.
- Rappelling procedures for the HH-53/HH-3 were validated and forwarded.
- Rope ladder and rappelling procedures for UH-60 were validated and forwarded.
- 41 RWRW has provided helicopter insertion/extraction procedures developed and used by 41 ARRS.
- An Operational Test and Evaluation of STABO was previously completed.

CURRENT STATUS:

- 23 AF/DOV is developing aircrew procedures for inclusion in MACR 55-54 and pararescue procedures for inclusion in MACR 55-111.
- 23 AF/DOT is developing aircrew training requirements for inclusion in AFR 51-2, MAC Sup 1.

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