

Paul Severson



SKYWORLD TRAVEL CORP., LTD.
P.O. Box 11-1154
BANGKOK, THAILAND.



CAPT. John Mc Rainey
MC ALLEN AVIATION
MILLER INTL AIRPORT
MC ALLEN TX. USA
78501



9 SUKHUMVIT SOI 7, BANGKOK-THAILAND P.O. BOX: 11-1154 TEL: 2525882 CABLE: SKYWORLD TELEX: TH 2998 (ATTN : SKYWORLD)

11/04/81

Dear John + Family,

I will try to fill you in on what I have been doing since I departed Mc Allen.

Life in Libya was very interesting or fun. We had to stay 2 + 3 to a hotel room, rotten food no hot water or heat and lots of cold nasty weather. The teen age kids would chuck a few rocks at me while I was getting in my daily run. I had a good case of flea's and worm's by the time I departed Tripoli. Flying with two Arabs in the 727 isn't $\frac{1}{2}$ as good as one in the 737. Flying was demanding of your attention, lots of 15 mile legs with 45° hdg. change at 8 miles per min. Only stayed over night in Madrid due to Aircraft controllers STRIKE. Otherwise it was about one hour on the ground at Tunis, Casablanca and Algiers, + Athens, Rome, London etc.,

Air NAUHU sent me a telex after trying to call me for one week. They wanted me in Melbourne Aust. for interview on the 18th. I managed to escape CAA on the 20th, after a few days in London for VISA etc I Arrived in Mel 04/03/81. The Chief Pilot said he would hire me pending house expansion and to STBY for two months. So I try to get in a few hours each day studying INS NAVIGATION AND the B-737. If they do hire me I will be the first US. type.

Lots of junk for Bid at BKK Airport. As no answer to my telex I assume you are not interested. Just as well it would cost more to get it back to TX than it's worth.

I will try to get a letter to Bob Belmar via Swede Larson. If it's not too much of a problem. Joe's doing quite well in the TRAVEL business, I received a nice advance dividend + free trip to PHUKET ISLAND AND RAJA ISLAND TO THE SOUTH OF PHUKET. (APPROX 12 N.M.)

Enclosed is my photo, we had some police with us IN CASE OF PRIVATE ATTACK.

IF YOU CAN GET SOME TIME OFF - JUMP ON THAI IN DALLAS TICKETS ARE CHEAP, and STAY in my apartment here. APT. (A) Tom & Mid house Convent Road, Izy Freedman lives just above me. He is flying a chopper for Bristol Hel. in Indon.

Some friends in Hawaii report there was a bad phungon series of prangs in your area, but no details.

My chasing after Airline jobs in the MID-EAST AND AFRICA has been like chasing pretty girls, only to find they have a bad case of halitosis. I'm not going back to that part of the world, unless it's some type of military action.

My dream now is to have some type of flying job for the summer in the U.S. and spend the winter in BANGKOK. Buying a spray plane seems the most logical thing to do. I would have lots of fun scaring the shit out of my self every day. Keep your eye open for a A9 Car crash, which I could rebuild and convert to a TURBO engine.

BILL CRUTHERS, now has a job with the U.S. Embassy handling refugees around. Also Joe Kerch, Pat Landry, Jack Shirley, Moberg, Doc Weldon, Win McKeeth and Pat Thurston was tho - on way to ALASKA TO FLY FIRST OFFICER on B-727 for WIEN. (EX G-2 RIY)

I want to write to Bob Belmar but don't have his address. I will send him a note in a letter to Swede Larson % of you.

As always.

Paul

Thanks again for the great Xmas dinner. Hope PAULINE is doing something worth while. Regards to the Fitch's.

Auss! CAL BARTLET