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OPENING/CLOSING/SUSPENDING

MISSION NUMBER: 5-38-1-30 JAN 67

SUBJECT: USAF F-105

HH-43B

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1 DET 5 38ARRS UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

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UMSBU/7AF TSN AB RVN

UMSBU/3RD ARRG TSN AB RVN

UWTFJA/USAF MFC RANDOLF AFB TEXAS

EN/7 13AF DEP CMDR UDORN RTAFB THAI

EN/TUOC UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

EN/DET 2 3ARRG UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

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OR AFKOPH, MAC FOR MACO AND MCP, ARRS FOR ARODC, ARSCP, FOR
FOCC-A AT PACAF, USAFMPC FOR AFPMSC, 7AF FOR DOTO, DO, DP, DI,
DPMP, CP, 3ARRG FOR USARC. SUBJ: RESCUE INFORMATION REPORT.

. RC3: 1-ARRS-F1 - OPENINGCLOSING REPORT

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1 NON COMBAT
SAVE-

F-105 THURMAN

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1. SAR OBJECTIVE - F-105 PILOT, CALL SIGN - NOTE 04. ONE
PERSON INVOLVED. SEAT PACK SURVIVAL KIT.

1. NOTIFIED BY UDORN RTAFB TOWER AT 0113Z, 30 JAN 67.

2. HH-43B SCRAMBLED AT 0122Z.

3. BAILOUT LOCATION - 17 DEGREES, 14 MINUTES NORTH, 103 DE-
GREES, 36 MINUTES EASTG.

4. WEATHER - CLEAR AND SEVEN MILES VISIBILITY WITH HAZE.

5. CONTROLLING AGENCY - DET 5, 38ARRS.

6. DET 1, 37ARRS.

7. DET 3, 38ARRS. HOISTED DOWNED PILOT ABOARD HH-43B.

8. ONE SURVIVOR.

9. NOT APPLICABLE.

10. SURVIVOR TURNED OVER TO HOSPITAL PERSONNEL AT UDORN

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RTAFB.

14: (A) TWO SORTIES, 1 PLUS TWENTY-FIVE FOR HH-43B OF CONTROLLING AGENCY.

(B) ONE SORTIE, 3 PLUS TWENTY FOR HC-130 OF ASSISTING AGENCY.

15. ONE HH-43B FROM CONTROLLING ORGANIZATION.

ONE HC-130 FROM ASSISTING ORGANIZATION.

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16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

(A) WEATHER: CLEAR AND SEVEN MILES VISIBILITY WITH HAZE.

(B) LOCATED DOWNED PILOT UPON ARRIVAL ON SCENE. SPENT FIVE MINUTES IN HOVER HOISTING SURVIVOR ON BOARD.

(C) MOUNTAINOUS, HEAVILY WOODED TERRAIN.

(D) OTHER AIDING UNIT - DET 1, 37ARRS

(E) NO HOSTILE ACTION.

(F) ONE SURVIVOR *THURMAN*

(G) RCC - 1ST LT. KENNETH O. WENTZEL.

THIS INCIDENT WAS A NON-COMBAT SAVE.

UNCLAS EFTO MESSAGE, DET 5, 36ARRS, JAN 67, 40001 IS CANCELLED THIS DATE.

END OF REPORT.

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TO DET 5 38 ARMS UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

TO RUCLMFA/ARRS ORLANDO AFB FLA

INFO RUZDHQA/CBAF

RUCIEUA/MAC

RUHLKM/CINCPACAF

RUMSBJ/IAF TSN AS RVN

RUMYBJ/3ARRGP TSN AS RVN

RUMTXJA/ASST DCS PERS MIL PERS RANDOLPH AFB TEX

RUMBDF/000 UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

ZEN/7 13AF DEP COMMANDER UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

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FOR ARRS (KARSCP) CBAF (AFXOPED, AFOP); MAC (MAOCDA, MCP);

CINCPACAF (DOCC-RO); PARRO (PROCP); MIL PERS (ARPMSC); IAF

(DOCC, DO, DI); 3ARRGP (AGRC). SUBJ RESCUE INFORMATION REPORT

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3. NOT APPLICABLE

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4. (A) SAR OBJECTIVE - DONNED F-105 PILOT

(B) NOT APPLICABLE

(C) NOT APPLICABLE

(D) ONE TACTICAL FIGHTER PILOT WTH SEAT PACK SURVIVAL

KIT.

(E) UNITED STATES

(F) 469TH TAC FTR SQ

(G) MAJOR THURMAN

(H) ONE

(I) NOT APPLICABLE

5. NOTIFIED BY UDORN RTAFB TOWER AT 2115Z, 30 JAN 67

6. NOT APPLICABLE

1. ONE F-43B ALERTEED 2115Z, 30 JAN 67, ASSISTED BY ONE
HC-130.

3. SCRAMBLED AT 2120Z.

9. BALLOUT LOCATION: 17 DEGREES, 14 MINUTES NORTH, 103 50 M ESE UDORN
DEGREES, 36 MINUTES EAST.

10. WEATHER: CLEAR AND SEVEN MILES VISIBILITY WTH HAZZ.

11. CONTROLLING AGENCY: DETAS, 38 ARMS.

12. ASSISTING AGENCY: DET 1, 37 ARMS.

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(S) Pedro 04, Det 5, 38th ARRS was notified of an airborne emergency at 0118Z and was airborne at 0120Z with the FSK, two Firemen, Co-Pilot, and RCC on-board. Immediately after Pedro 04 was airborne, Udorn tower notified us of a bailout about 50 miles East, Southeast of Udorn RTAFB. Pedro 04 returned to the alert pad at 0125Z to desposit the FSK and take on additional fuel. Pedro 04 rescrambled at 0135Z with full fuel and a crew of one Rescue Specialist, Flight Mechanic, Co-Pilot and RCC on-board. Pedro 04 was then notified that the bailout location was approximately 45 miles at a heading of 105° from Udorn RTAFB. Upon departing Udorn RTAFB control zone, Pedro 04 switched to primary SAR frequency to coordinate with Crown 01 who was on scene and flying RESCAP on the downed pilot. Crown 01 guided Pedro 04 to the bailout location and upon arrival on-scene, Pedro 04 flew directly over the downed pilot. As Pedro 04 passed over the pilot, he popped a smoke flare, giving us good wind indications and definitely pin-pointing his position. At this time, Pedro 04 switched to guard channel and talked to the downed pilot, letting him know our intentions and preparing him for the pickup. A second low pass was made over the area and an approach to hover was initiated. A high hover was established over the opening in the dense trees where the pilot was located. At this time, the Flight Mechanic was lowered on the hoist to insure the pilot was in good shape and would have no problems with the hoisting procedure. The pilot was hoisted on board first and slight difficulty was encountered bringing him into the cabin as he was wearing both his survival vest and chaps, and still retained his survival seat pack also. The Flight Mechanic was then hoisted on board. Pedro 04 was secured and departed the area at 0210Z.

(U) The weather at launch enroute and in the target area was clear and seven miles visibility with haze. Coordination and cooperation with Crown 01 was excellent as they directed Pedro 04 directly over the downed pilot upon arrival to the target area. Radio discipline was excellent through the rescue mission.

(S) The downed pilot was not wounded or injured. There was no enemy action in the target area and the downed crewmember made maximum utilization of his signaling devices.

RCC - 1st Lt. Kenneth O. Wentzel.
RCCP - 1st Lt. Roland J. Page
HM - ALC John A. Cleland

Kenneth O. Wentzel
KENNETH O. WENTZEL, 1st Lt., USAF

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SUBJECT TO GDSR DECLASSIFICATION
SCHEDULE 1 1/2 H. 11652
AUTOMATICALLY DOWNGRADED AT TWO
YEAR INTERVALS
DECLASSIFIED ON 31 Dec 76

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DOWNGRADED

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