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MISSION NUMBER: 2-3-47 30 JUN 67
SUBJECT: USAF F-105
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FM 3ARRGP OL 2 UDORN RTAFB THAI
TO RUMSBJ/3ARRGP TAN SON NHUT AB RVN
RUEDHQA/HQ USAF
RUCIEUA/HQ MAC

RUCLMFA/ARSCF ORLAND AFB FLA
RUHLKM/PARRC HICKAM AFB HAWAII
RUMSBJ/7AF TAN SON NHUT RVN
RUMTRJA/USAF MPC RANDOLPH AFB TEXAS
RUMSMA/MACV SAIGON RVN
RUHLKM/PACAF

UCLBMA/48ARRS EGLIN AFB FLA
RUEDNBA/TAC

RUMNAF/39ARRS TUY HOA AB RVN
ZEN/TUOC UDORN RTAFB THAI
RUMSAGP/OL 1 3ARRGP DANANG AB RVN
RUMKAH/388TFW KORAT RTAFB THAI
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FOR AFMPC/AFXOFFH MAC FOR MAOCOA AND MCP. PACAF FOR DOCC-R, USAF/MPC

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OL 2-3RD GR-47
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COMBAT
SAVE (ACM)

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FOR AFMPC, 7AF FOR DOTO, DO, DP, DI, BDPMP, CP, 3 ARGP FOR JSARC,
TAC FOR DOSS-LR

1 RESCUE OPEN/CLOSE REPORT

2. P-125D ONE POB

- A. P-125D ONE POB
- B. TACTICAL
- C. NOT RELEASEABLE
- D. P-125D OZARK 3 TAIL NBR 624316
- E. USAF
- F. 388 TFW, KORAT AB THAILAND
- G. KUSTER, RALPH L. MAJ
- H. ONE POB

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I. STANDARD
5. OL-1, 3 ARGP AND CROWN 2, OL-1, 39 ARRS 30/0852Z
6. NOT REQUIRED
7. 30/0852Z
8. DIVERTED 4 A1E FROM SAR ORBIT AND CRAMBLED 2 HH-31
AT 30/0852Z. ACTUAL LAUNCH TIME OF HH-3E 0855Z.
9. 2045N 10343E
10. 20000 SCID, 4000 ERKN, 9000 OVCST, 12 MILES VIS
11. OL-2, 3 ARGP, MAJ R.P. FRANK

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20. NONE

13. DET

16. RETURNED TO JUDY B. 8/10/1978.

18. RETURNED TO UDORN RTAFB THAILAND

17. 4/10X40/A1E/602FS(C) ; 2/2X10/HH-3E/DET 2, 37 ABRS: 1/1X10/

HL-1300P/CL-1, 39 ARR

18. SAE

19. A. (RCC) WELLS, M.L. MAJ., (CP) JAMES, M. 1/ST: (HM) PICKLE-SIMER, J., SSgt.; (P) PIGHINI, J.L. A2C. CREW ASSIGNED TO DET 2, 37 ARR, UDORN RTAFB THAILAND.

B. KUSTER, R.L. MAJOR - 388 TEV KHOBAT BEAER, THAILAND

20. H. THIS IS A COMBAT SAVE. AT 0852Z, CL-1, 3 ARRGP, AND CROWN 2 REPORTED AN F-105, CALL SIGN OZARK 3, IN TROUBLE WITH PILOT BAILING OUT AT 2045M 1034SE. OZARK FLIGHT RECEIVED GOOD CHUTE AND BEEPER. FOUR AIE ON SAR ORBIT OVER CH 97 WERE DIVERTED AS COVER, AND TWO JOLLY GREENS (09/36) WERE SCRAMBLED FROM L-36. AT 0914Z SANY 5 REPORTED A VISUAL ON THE ACM BUT NO VOICE CONTACT. L-36 RADIO REPORTED THIS AREA TO BE SECURE. AT 0925Z JG 99 MADE VOICE CONTACT WITH DOWNED ACM, AND MADE THE PICKUP AT 0936Z. SURVIVOR WAS REPORTED IN GOOD CONDITION, AND WAS

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REURNED TO UDORN RTAFB THAILAND. GP-4
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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 3RD AEROSPACE RESCUE & RECOVERY GROUP (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96307

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: RGRC

13 July 1967

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (U)

to: Hq ARRS (AROOPCR)

1. (U) The attached mission narrative is forwarded in accordance with Chapter 2, paragraph 4c of ARRSM 55-2.
2. (U) When attachment is withdrawn or not attached, the classification hereon is cancelled.

FOR THE COMMANDER

John F. Hagemeyer
JOHN F. HAGEMEYER, Major, USAF
Chief of Administrative Services

1 Atch
Ltr, Det 2, 37ARRS, 30 Jun 67 (S)
Subj: Msn Narrative, 2pgs, 2ey.

Cy to: PARRC, 7AF(DOCO), 48ARRS, Hq
636th CSG, ATTN: Commandant
PACAF Jungle Survival School,
CINCPACAF (DIOE)

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MISSION NARRATIVE - JOLLY GREEN 09 AND 36 - 30 JUNE 1967

(S)(GP-4) At 0850Z on 30 June, JG 09 and JG 36 were notified that Ozark 2 had bailed out with good chute and beeper. The two Jolly Greens were ~~KUSTER~~ airborne at 0855Z, or before the survivor touched ground in his parachute. The Jolly Greens were on alert at L-36 with Sandy 7 and 8 on airborne alert overhead. Sandy 5 and 6 were holding on airborne alert at channel 97. The survivor's location was given as 030°/11 miles, channel 97. The weather for launch, enroute and at the pickup point was 7000 feet, broken to overcast.

(S)(GP-4) Sandy 5 made contact with Ozark 2 shortly after arriving in the area. Mountain tops in the immediate area reached an altitude of approximately 6500 feet. The survivor was eventually pinpointed by Sandy 5 on a 60° slope at 4500 feet. The terrain interference on the survival radio transmissions caused some difficulty in obtaining ADF cuts to pinpoint the target, however, Sandy 5 accomplished this by 0920Z at which time he made a visual sighting. JG 09 was low bird and 36 was high, arriving in the area at 0920Z. 09 made a let down, attempting to keep Sandy 5 in sight, while Sandy gave directions to Ozark's position. During the descent, 09 passed directly over Ozark and voice contact was established. A turn was made to stay over this position as the descent was continued. Again the terrain cut out the survivors transmissions. At this point Sandy 5 made a low pass over the survivor and pinpointed him by tipping his wing at the target area. JG 09 made a slow pass by the survivor and was able to make a visual with the aid of a smoke flare.

(S)(GP-4) A turn was made away from the mountain side to drop the tip tanks in order to get light enough to hover at this altitude. The survivor had attempted to move on the slope, but had found it impossible because of the steepness of the rocky surface. 09 therefore advised him to hold by his parachute and the attempt would be made there.

(S)(GP-4) One of the tip tanks failed to jettison and the remaining fully loaded tip tank shifted the lateral C.G. violently, however, control was not lost, and the crew rapidly employed the alternate jettison system which functioned properly, releasing the remaining tip tank. Approximately 90 seconds was lost during this operation.

(S)(GP-4) The survivor was positioned in a tight wooded ravine which sloped up the mountain side at approximately a 60° angle. JG 09 called for a second smoke flare, then attempted a hover approximately 100 yards out from the survivor. This was necessary in order to perform a power check while an escape route was still available. The power was sufficient to hover and JG 09 slipped into the ravine. The slope prevented a head-on

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approach because of rotor blade clearance of the tree on the side of mountain. A side approach was made with the tail rotor backed into the mountain ravine. The hoist operator literally placed the forest penetrator between the legs of Ozark 2. He did not have to move from the position where he had "dug in" to prevent rolling down the hill, only reach out and climb on. The pickup was completed at 0935Z, 45 minutes after bailout. Survivor had minor cuts and abrasions.

(S)(GP-4) The survivor was landed at L-36 at 1005Z while JG 09 refueled. Ths SAR forces were RTB'd and the survivor was returned to L-98 at 1125Z where Jolly Green 37 picked him up and returned him to channel 86. JG 09 and 36 resumed alert at L-98.

(S)(GP-4) Survivor gave excellent steers to aid both Sandy and Jolly Green to his position. He was quick to respond to direction and became a tremendous asset to his own rescue.

(S) (GP-4) Sandy 5 led the mission in an exemplary manner. He relayed applicable information back to the Jolly Greens which allowed for proper preplanning of the pickup. His assistance in rapidly locating the survivor and pinpointing him for JG 09 greatly decreased the reaction time.

(S)(GP-4) The entire mission was carried out "by the book". All phases were handled as planned with only the tip tank release system hampering the effort

LOW BIRD - 09

RCC Max F. James, 1st Lt
RCCP Maurice L. Wells, Maj
FE Jack Picklesimer, SSgt
PJ John L. Pighini, A2C

SURVIVOR: Major Ralph Kuster

MAX F. JAMES, 1st Lt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

HIGH BIRD - 36

RCC Glenn P. York, Maj
RCCP James B. Barton, 1st Lt
FE Theodore A. Zerbe
PJ Michael R. Fraboni, A2C

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