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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
DET 1, 40TH AEROSPACE RESCUE & RECOVERY SQUADRON (MAC)
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96310



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: RCC

13 Feb 69

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (2-3-011, 12 Feb 69) (U)

TO: Det 1-40 C
3rd ARRG (JSARC) *LLY W*
IN TURN

1. (U) This report is submitted IAW ARRSN 55-2/3rd ARRG Sup 1, dated 11 July 1968.
2. (C) At 0935L, 12 February 1969, Compress launched JOLLY GREEN 37 and 17 to go to the aid of HOT ROD 01, F-105 from Takhli RTAFB who had bailed out while refueling. JOLLY GREEN 37 took off at 0945L to proceed to 328/49/51. JOLLY GREEN 20 took off at 0958 replacing JOLLY GREEN 17 who had maintenance difficulties. JOLLY GREEN 37 arrived in the area at 1035L after receiving DF steers from NAIL 30 and CROWN who were on scene. CROWN was sighted at 1037L while circling the survivor. JOLLY GREEN 37 landed in a dry rice paddy approximately 40 yards from the survivor at 1043. Two Pararescuemen went to aid the survivor who was surrounded by many villagers from the nearby village. The villagers had removed the chute, boots and survival equipment from the pilot, apparently in an attempt to help him. The rescue specialist found the survivor to be in serious condition due to internal injuries, multiple fractures and bleeding, (detailed description in attachment 1). The rescue specialist put the survivor on board and JOLLY GREEN 37 took off at 1055L for Channel 51. JOLLY GREEN 37 arrived at Channel 51 at 1115 where a waiting ambulance took the survivor to the local hospital. JOLLY GREEN 20 with 3 Thai Army personnel and 1 Air Force Security Policeman aboard an JOLLY GREEN 37 took off from Channel 51 at 1225L. JOLLY GREEN 20 was to drop the passengers off at the crash site, given as 320/41/51, enroute to Channel 89. After spending approximately twenty minutes in search, JOLLY GREEN 20 landed at two villages inquiring as to the whereabouts of the crash site with negative results. SAR alert commitment at Channel 89 prevented further airborne search. The passengers were discharged at a Thai Army outpost and JOLLY GREEN 37 and 20 returned to Channel 89 landing at 1445L. Weather was clear, visibility limited to 3 miles in haze, during the entire mission.
3. (C) The name of the survivor is: Vincent Colasuonno, FR30667, Major, USAF 333rd TFS, 355th TFW. He died later that day enroute from Ubon AB to the Fifth Field Hospital at Bangkok.

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4. (U) Crewmembers of JOLLY GREENS:

JOLLY GREEN 37 (Low)

Lt Col John H.I. Morse
Capt Gerald E. McCullough
SSgt Coy W. Calhoon
A1C Leonard C. Johnson
A1C Robert J. Sully Jr.

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JOLLY GREEN 20 (High)

Capt John L. Harvell
Capt Marshall B. Nash
SSgt David M. Gutillo
TSgt Aaron D. Farrior

Gp-4

Gp-4

John H. I. Morse
JOHN H. I. MORSE, Lt Col, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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(Pararescue Specialist Statement) (C)

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