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Dear Paul,

Thank you for your letter of March 8 and the insights into your manuscript materials. I will attempt to answer your questions with this letter, and then send copies of items you asked about as soon as I obtain them.

No, I did not submit an end of tour report. It was not requested. My duty as Commander ended shortly after Major Stearns, 1st Lt Foster, Maj. Steinbrunner, and S/Sgt Weyandt crashed. They were flying that mission July 20, 1967 from Da Nang. I learned of the probable loss at the end of my ^{early} morning mission and took off again for a 2nd mission while awaiting further information from Da Nang. The 315th Wg at Phan Rang was advised of the crash. I didn't report to the 834th Air Division because the 315th Wg was the command channel to follow. Also the Command Post at Da Nang should have

notified all levels related to the crew and aircraft.

Somehow the word did not get to General Moore before the afternoon briefing of Gen Momeyer, and when Momeyer asked Moore about the crash Moore was most embarrassed. Col Grodlick came to Bien Hoa on the 21st to tell me that I was to be replaced but he did not say at that time anything about the embarrassment of Moore. I was never told why the 315th Command Post did not pass the information to the 834th A.D. I learned later that Moore believed me to have failed to keep him informed which was not the case at all.

I was told that I was being replaced because both Lt. Col Avery and Lt. Col Stewart were senior in rank to me and that I was to go to 834 Division as Ranch Hand liaison on Moore's staff. In that job I completed a Staff Study on the Ranch Hand operation that was

to the best of my knowledge submitted on to 7th AF. As liaison officer I briefed Moore daily on the targets and missions etc of the 12th ACS. The rainy season started in August and continued into September. Mission accomplishments were down from weather but also from lack of herbicide supplies. We had literally emptied the barrel by the end of July until new shipments reached the area.

Sorry about the 314th typo error.

I arrived at Saigon, Tan Son Nhut AB. on Oct 16, 1966 and was ^{duty title} assigned as Commander effective 17 October 1966 with a EDCSA from 315th Wg to 12th ACS of 6 Nov 66. The Personnel Action Request was signed by Ralph Dresser as Commander 12th ACS.

A later Personnel Action dated 13 Dec 1966 changed my DAFSC from 1051A to 1055A; gave me Col Grochlich as a reporting official and indicated initial duty assignment.

I have orders dated 26 Sept 1966, SO. T-336 from 315th AC Wg, showing individuals of the 12th ACS. I do not know what date the 309th ACS Special

Flight became the 12th ACS. As I recall records, the 12th ACS was to be created at Bien Hoa VN and operate from there October 15, 1966. Personnel actions for maintenance personnel and replacement flying personnel were initiated at ~~MACAF~~ to meet this date. Neither MACV or the Vietnamese wanted the 12th to be at Bien Hoa. After a month of arguments, Morreyer said to complete the move as programmed and we did.

After sending in the spare parts supply cards to the Warner Robbins Depot to stock Bien Hoa for UC-123^s, the cards were returned with the note that there was no UC-123 unit at Bien Hoa. As a result we struggled through December January and February getting spares from Tan Son Nhut.

Personnel assignments were still confused in June, 1967. Maintenance personnel for the 12 ACS had been used by the 3rd Tac Wg to augment the F-5^s stationed there.

About the awards and decorations. I really don't know why some men failed to receive awards they were clearly entitled to. A change in attitude at higher headquarters could have been a primary factor. I have heard comments about the fun of reading the wild-west narratives submitted from Ranchhand.


I can believe that some were lost from fires resulting from attacks. Which ones were would be hard to determine. I know that Capt. Robinson, the navigator for Capt. Davie, didn't get awarded ones that had been submitted for his action. The tracer action indicated that files at 7th AF had received battle damage and his could have been there.

To the Ranch,

Bob Dennis

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Below is a list of problems and complaints that people sometimes have. Please read each one carefully. After you have done so, please fill in one of the numbered circles to the right that best describes HOW MUCH DISCOMFORT THAT PROBLEM HAS CAUSED YOU DURING THE PAST WEEK INCLUDING TODAY. Mark only one numbered circle for each problem and do not skip any items. Make your marks carefully using a No. 2 pencil. DO NOT USE A BALLPOINT PEN. If you change your mind, erase your first mark carefully.

MALE

FEMALE

MO	DAY	YEAR
08	26	87
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1	1	1
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MO	DAY	YEAR
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3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5
6	6	6
7	7	7
8	8	8
9	9	9

AGE
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EXAMPLE

HOW MUCH WERE
YOU DISTRESSED BY:

1. Bodyaches

NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE BIT	MODERATELY	QUITE A BIT	EXTREMELY
0	1	2	3	4

NAME: CECIL PAULLOCATION: 501 304EDUCATION: 20 years (Ph.D.)MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED

HOW MUCH WERE YOU DISTRESSED BY:

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| 1. Headaches | 1 |
| 2. Nervousness or shakiness inside | 2 |
| 3. Repeated unpleasant thoughts that won't leave your mind | 3 |
| 4. Faintness or dizziness | 4 |
| 5. Loss of sexual interest or pleasure | 5 |
| 6. Feeling critical of others | 6 |
| 7. The idea that someone else can control your thoughts | 7 |
| 8. Feeling others are to blame for most of your troubles | 8 |
| 9. Trouble remembering things | 9 |
| 10. Worried about sloppiness or carelessness | 10 |
| 11. Feeling easily annoyed or irritated | 11 |
| 12. Pains in heart or chest | 12 |
| 13. Feeling afraid in open spaces or on the streets | 13 |
| 14. Feeling low in energy or slowed down | 14 |
| 15. Thoughts of ending your life | 15 |
| 16. Hearing voices that other people do not hear | 16 |
| 17. Trembling | 17 |
| 18. Feeling that most people cannot be trusted | 18 |
| 19. Poor appetite | 19 |
| 20. Crying easily | 20 |
| 21. Feeling shy or uneasy with the opposite sex | 21 |
| 22. Feelings of being trapped or caught | 22 |
| 23. Suddenly scared for no reason | 23 |
| 24. Temper outbursts that you could not control | 24 |
| 25. Feeling afraid to go out of your house alone | 25 |
| 26. Blaming yourself for things | 26 |
| 27. Pains in lower back | 27 |
| 28. Feeling blocked in getting things done | 28 |
| 29. Feeling lonely | 29 |
| 30. Feeling blue | 30 |
| 31. Worrying too much about things | 31 |
| 32. Feeling no interest in things | 32 |
| 33. Feeling fearful | 33 |
| 34. Your feelings being easily hurt | 34 |
| 35. Other people being aware of your private thoughts | 35 |

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HOW MUCH WERE YOU DISTRESSED BY:

NOT AT ALL
A LITTLE BIT
MODERATELY
QUITE A BIT
EXTREMELY

36. Feeling others do not understand you or are unsympathetic	36
37. Feeling that people are unfriendly or dislike you	37
38. Having to do things very slowly to insure correctness	38
39. Heart pounding or racing	39
40. Nausea or upset stomach	40
41. Feeling inferior to others	41
42. Soreness of your muscles	42
43. Feeling that you are watched or talked about by others	43
44. Trouble falling asleep	44
45. Having to check and double-check what you do	45
46. Difficulty making decisions	46
47. Feeling afraid to travel on buses, subways, or trains	47
48. Trouble getting your breath	48
49. Hot or cold spells	49
50. Having to avoid certain things, places, or activities because they frighten you	50
51. Your mind going blank	51
52. Numbness or tingling in parts of your body	52
53. A lump in your throat	53
54. Feeling hopeless about the future	54
55. Trouble concentrating	55
56. Feeling weak in parts of your body	56
57. Feeling tense or keyed up	57
58. Heavy feelings in your arms or legs	58
59. Thoughts of death or dying	59
60. Overeating	60
61. Feeling uneasy when people are watching or talking about you	61
62. Having thoughts that are not your own	62
63. Having urges to beat, injure, or harm someone	63
64. Awakening in the early morning	64
65. Having to repeat the same actions such as touching, counting, or washing	65
66. Sleep that is restless or disturbed	66
67. Having urges to break or smash things	67
68. Having ideas or beliefs that others do not share	68
69. Feeling very self-conscious with others	69
70. Feeling uneasy in crowds, such as shopping or at a movie	70
71. Feeling everything is an effort	71
72. Spells of terror or panic	72
73. Feeling uncomfortable about eating or drinking in public	73
74. Getting into frequent arguments	74
75. Feeling nervous when you are left alone	75
76. Others not giving you proper credit for your achievements	76
77. Feeling lonely even when you are with people	77
78. Feeling so restless you couldn't sit still	78
79. Feelings of worthlessness	79
80. The feeling that something bad is going to happen to you	80
81. Shouting or throwing things	81
82. Feeling afraid you will faint in public	82
83. Feeling that people will take advantage of you if you let them	83
84. Having thoughts about sex that bother you a lot	84
85. The idea that you should be punished for your sins	85
86. Thoughts and images of a frightening nature	86
87. The idea that something serious is wrong with your body	87
88. Never feeling close to another person	88
89. Feelings of guilt	89
90. The idea that something is wrong with your mind	90

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