

CONFIDENTIAL MARINE HELIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 265 SITREP FOR 04/2000H THRU 05/2400H

04/2000H: AT 1927H WE RECEIVED A FRAG FOR 10 CH46A TO PERFORM AN EMERGENCY EVAC OF US MARINES IN SUPPORT OF THE NINTH MARINES. AT 2000H THE FIRST FLIGHT LAUNCHED, WITHIN MINUTES AFTER ALL TEN AIRCRAFT WERE AIRBORNE AND PROCEEDED TO THE PICK UP ZONE. THE ZONE AT COORD PT063596 WAS UNLIGHTED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THREE FLASHLIGHTS AND WAS FLANKED BY TREES. ENEMY FIRE WAS HEAVY BOTH ON APPROACH, WHILE IN THE ZONE, AND ON DEPARTURE. OUR AIRCRAFT TOOK A TOTAL OF FIVE HITS. THE AIRCRAFT LIFTED A TOTAL OF 123 US MARINES FROM THE ZONE TO AN HOA. THIS MISSION WAS PERFORMED IN AN OUTSTANDING MANNER BY EVERYONE INVOLVED. WE HAD ONE WIA.

04/2000H: TWO OF OUR CH46A LAUNCHED ON THE ABOVE MISSION WERE DEVERTED TO PICK UP A VC PRISONER AT BT920547 AND TRANSPORT HIM TO LZ BLUEBIRD.

04/2142H: OUR CH46A WITH THE WOUNDED CREW MAN FLEW FROM MARBLE MOUNTAIN TO C MEDICAL WHERE THE WIA WAS TAKEN FOR TREATMENT.

04/2305H: ONE OF OUR CH46A CARRIED 12 MED EVACS AND TWO PASSENGERS FROM AN HOA TO C MEDICAL IN SUPPORT OF THE NINTH MARINES.

05/0630H: SIX OF THIS UNITS CH46A LIFTED A TOTAL OF 56,600 POUNDS OF PRIORITY SUPPLIES, AND 491 PASSENGERS: (78 US MIL, 413 VN MIL) FROM LZ HANNA TO DONG HA, LA VANB, AND FA LONG IN SUPPORT OF I CORPS.

05/1145H: SIX OF OUR CH46A LIFTED 22,950 POUNDS OF BADLY NEEDED SUPPLIES AND 305 PASSENGERS (1 US MIL, 305 VN MIL) IN SUPPORT OF I CORPS FROM LONG HA TO D-5 BASE. *SL*

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