

SUPPORTING DOCUMENT #14

DATE: 23 Sep 70

30 Sep 70

MISSION NUMBER: 1-3-058-23 Sep 70

AIRCRAFT DESIGNATION: KING 24

LOCATION: 275/19N/69

DISTRESSED AIRCRAFT: DALLAS LEAD

SAVES: 1 Combat

(U) At 0232Z while orbiting Northwest of CH 107, King 24 called and informed us that Dallas Lead had punched out at 275/17/69. Queen was notified to scramble the CH 77 SAR forces. We immediately proceeded toward the area and heard Bilk 16 on guard stating that he had the chute in sight and was following it down. As soon as contact could be established, Bilk 16 was appointed on-scene-commander (OSC). There were numerous Army gun-ships and LOCH's in the area. They attempted to make a pick-up but could not succeed because the pilot was stuck in the mud and none of the helicopters had a winch. The co-pilot from one of the LOCH's jumped out to assist the survivor. Dustoff 91 was scrambled from CH 69 to attempt the pick-up. At approximately the same time (0253Z), Jolly Green 64 and 66 who were orbiting just east of CH 69 were directed to proceed to the scene without the Sandies since the area was secure and the Sandies had not yet arrived. Army gunships were asked to remain in the area. Bilk 16 was short of fuel and was relieved as OSC by Bilk 25 at 0250Z. Spad 11 relieved Bilk 25 at 0318Z. Since both the Jolly Greens and Dustoff 91 arrived on-scene at approximately the same time, it was decided to allow Jolly Green 64 to attempt the recovery. Jolly Green 64 was over the survivor at 0312Z and lowered his PJ. He then moved off slightly to keep the survivor out of the rotor wash while the PJ tended to him. At 0320Z, the survivor was hoisted aboard the chopper and was followed by the LOCH co-pilot and the PJ. At 0323Z Jolly Green 64 departed the area. He dropped the LOCH co-pilot off at CH 69 and proceeded to CH 77 with the survivor. At 0401Z we returned to our normal orbit.

FORCES UTILIZED

Jolly Green 64
Jolly Green 66
Spad 11
Spad 12
Bilk 16
Bilk 25
Numerous Army UH-1's and LOCH's

KING 24 Crewmembers

AC/AXC Maj Conway
CP Maj Jones
CP Maj Felmsley
NM Cpt Begner
RO Ssg Hunt
Ft Tsg Mathews
LM Mag Cornell

James E. Conway
JAMES E. CONWAY, MAJOR, USAF
Aircraft Commander/Airborne Mission Commander