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SUBJECT: Mission Narrative, 18 November 1967; Msn # 2 - 3 - 89

TO: 3ARRGP (C)

1. (U) This report is submitted in accordance with ARRSN 55-2/3ARRGP Sup 1, dated 15 June 1967.

2. (S)(GP-4) Jolly Greens 55 and 37 were notified to scramble by Crown 1 at 0817L. Weather at L-36 was overcast (Approx 500') with good visibility. As they broke through the overcast at 6500' MSL Jolly Greens 55 and 37 joined up with Sandys 3 and 4. The downed aircraft was Waco 4; his reported position was 030° at 30 miles from CH97. Jolly Green 55 estimated 45 minutes to the area. As Jolly Green 55 and 37 neared CH97, Sandy 2 advised that the survivor had been located at 030°, 13 miles from CH97. Jolly Green 37 was instructed to orbit CH97 above the clouds while Jolly Green 55 penetrated the overcast. Since the Sandys were unable to locate a hole, Jolly Green 55 proceeded to a relatively open area and let down through the clouds. Jolly Green 55 broke into the clear approximately 800' above the ground in a small valley, and flew low level through several valleys to reach the scene, arriving at 0855L. Due to poor visibility and dense foilage, Jolly Green 55 was unable to spot the survivor who was located on the side of a steep ridge. There was a strong wind blowing uphill which caused the survivors smoke to run along the ground under the trees. The smoke was sighted near the top of the ridge. Jolly Green 55 entered a hover there, but was unable to sight the survivor since all his smoke had dissipated. Jolly Green 55 requested another smoke flare and smoke was observed in the trees several hundred feet down the ridge. Jolly Green 55 positioned over the survivor and brought him aboard at 0910L. Elevation was 2500' OAT 13° C. The survivor was in good condition with only minor cuts and bruises. There was no observed enemy action and no damage to the helicopter. Jolly Green 55, accompanied by Sandys 1 and 2, climbed through the overcast and proceeded to L-98, landing at 1020L. The survivor was loaded aboard an Air America C-123 for transport to Udorn AB.

3. (U) The name of the survivor was LT COL WILLIAM REED, USAF.

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4. (U) A list of crew members follows:

JOLLY GREEN 55 (Low)

Capt David A. Richardson, RCC
1st Lt Billy N. Privette, RCCP
SSgt Carl L. Warmack, Flt Engr
AIC Roy A. Taylor, ParaRescueSpec

JOLLY GREEN 37 (Hdgt)

Maj Powell Moore, RCC
1st Lt Andrew J. Gonos, RCCP
SSgt Bernard W. Grau, Flt Engr
AIC Jules C. Smith, ParaRescueSpec

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David A. Richardson
DAVID A. RICHARDSON, Capt, USAF
Rescue Crew Commander

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Capt Donald J. Donovan

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Crown 1 on Pak Sene orbit at 23.5 feet. At 0110Z, Covey 672 an C-2, requested intercept for his wingman Covey 655 who had battle damage. Crown 1 began an intercept course from his position 061/106/51. At 0115Z a Laredo 4 called that Waco Lead 105 was down and had a beeper. Crown 1 advised Brisaam that Covey 672 was under Lion control and to try to keep track of him, that Crown 1 was breaking off intercept to begin a SAR attempt. At 0119Z, several calls came in nearly simultaneously that Garage 3 (F-105) and Vegas 1 (F-105) were down in the target area. Vegas 2 recommended no SAR attempt. Waco 2 Lead (F-105) was also reported down in the vicinity of the target, also at this time Waco 2 called that Waco 4 ejected at position 030/130 North Station. JG 55 and 37 were launched from L-36, and Sandy's L-4 headed for the area. The area determined to be safe and the Jolly Greens redeployed with the Sandys. Two high performance flights were located for Mig Cap, Bison flight 4 (F-105) and Petros flight 4 (F4C). Crown 1 moved approximately 50NM north of Chan 79 and climbed to FL 250. Firefly flt 13 and 14 were also orbiting at North Station ready to assist if needed. Sandy one Lead Jolly Green 55 to the survivor and brought him aboard at 0210 local the survivor was reported in condition one. Jolly Greens 55 and 37 headed for L98 and all SAR Forces were RTE AT 0230Z. Crown 1 suggested an Electronic search for the other possible survivors in the target area, but do not know if one was conducted. The Fac aircraft Covey 672 recovered successfully at CH51.

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SUMMARY TABLE OF RESCUES

DATE	RESCUE NO.	SURVIVOR	CREW ACFT	SERVICE	LOCATION	JOLLY GREEN CREW
2 Oct	203	Maj Miller	RF4C	USAF	Laos	Maj Haynes Lt Barton
2 Oct	204	Maj Brown	RF4C	USAF	Laos	SSgt Androsky A2C Taylor
3 Oct	205	Maj Moore	F4C	USAF	Laos	Capt Etzel Capt Hall
3 Oct	206	Maj Gulbrardson	F4C	USAF	Laos	SSgt Zerbe Sgt Kraboni
23 Oct	207	Capt McLean (Deceased)	F105	USAF	Thailand	Maj Haynes Lt Platt SSgt Keyes Sgt Smith
26 Oct	208	Lt Sanchi	T28	RTAF	Laos	Maj Haynes Lt Platt
26 Oct	209	Unknown	T28	RTAF	Laos	Sgt Allen Sgt Duffy
5 Nov	210	Capt Sparks	F105	USAF	North Vietnam	Capt Walker Lt Col Lowe MSgt Boles TSgt Smith
8 Nov	211	Capt Gordon	F4	USAF	North Vietnam	Capt Richardson Lt Barton SSgt Brooks Sgt Lombard
11 Nov	212	Maj Griffith	A1E	USAF	Laos	Lt Platt Lt Sichterman SSgt Negrette A1C Taylor
18 Nov	213	Lt Col Reed	F105	USAF	Laos	Capt Richardson Lt Privette SSgt Warmack A1C Taylor
20 Nov	214	Lt Col Scholtz	RF4	USAF	North Vietnam	Lt Col Britton Maj Wells
20 Nov	215	Capt Simenero	RF4	USAF	North Vietnam	SSgt Androsky Sgt Duffy
29 Dec	216	Capt Altman	F4	USAF	Laos	Capt Etzel Maj Wells
29 Dec	217	Capt Coburn	F4	USAF	Laos	SSgt Thacker Sgt Sowell

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