

Det 9, 38ARRSq Hist, Oct - Dec 68

SUPPORTING DOCUMENT 2

MISSION NARRATIVE 9-38-010, 30 OCT 68

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4. Weather was not a factor but the rescue occurred after sunset and there was very little day light remaining.

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FROM: Det 9, 38 ARRSq


31 Oct 1968

SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (9-38-010, 30 Oct 68)

TO: ~~9-38~~ *D 31 Oct 68*  
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IN TURN

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