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SUBJECT: Mission Narrative Report (U)

TO: Hq ARRS (AROOPCR)

1. (U) The attached mission narrative(s) is/are forwarded in accordance with Chapter 2, paragraph 4c of ARRM 55-2.

2. (U) When attachment(s) is/are withdrawn or not attached, the classification hereon is cancelled.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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Ltr, Det 2, 37 ARRS, 25Feb67 (S)
Mem Nbr 2-3-12 28 Feb 67

Cy to: PARRC, 7AF(DOCO)
(c) (FR-1) at 1532, 28 Feb 47, Jolly Green 52 and Pony Express 31 were scrambled from Channel 36 to Channel 99 as backup for Jolly Green 09 and 37 27. At 1540, an F-105, call sign Otter Lead, declared a misty day and rejected at coordinates 15°44'17" N 17°43'00" W. Jolly Green 52 and Pony Express 31 immediately diverted to the survivor's area. Sandy 09 and Sandy 09-18 diverted to provide escort and rendezvous was accomplished at the fence. North of Channel 99. The weather enroute was 300 ft overcast, visibility 5 miles in haze. In the rescue area, the weather was close, 10 mile visibility with fog rapidly moving into the area.

(c) (FR-1) Because of numerous anti-aircraft positions in the area, Jolly Green 52 and Pony Express 31 were required to fly a circuitous route and rendezvous in the survivor's area at 1651. While Jolly Green 52 and Pony Express 31 maintained a high orbit, Sandy Flight made several firing passes through the area to suppress automatic weapons and small arms fire in the vicinity. In addition, white phosphorus bombs were dropped on a line between the survivor and the enemy defenses which effectively shielded Jolly Green 52 during the rescue attempt.

(b) (FR-1) At 1700, Jolly Green 52 spotted the survivor and while Sandy Flight was sterilizing the area, initiated recovery action. After leaving the high orbit, Jolly Green 52 descended to tree top level one ridge line away from the enemy defenses, then at the last moment, darted quickly over the ridge line, relocated the survivor and completed the recovery.

(a) (FR-1) Some difficulty was expected during the recovery as the survivor was lodged halfway up a 20' foot tree and engulfed by extremely tall foliage. However, the disciplined teamwork of this crew of Jolly Green 52 coupled with the survivor's positive actions eliminated any delays and the recovery was completed at 1710. The survivor took several positive steps on his own behalf that deserve comment. Finding himself lodged in the tree, and unable to reach the ground, he removed his parachute harness, cut a length of shroud line and lashed himself to a large limb. He used his parachute and flares exactly as requested and retained his helmet for protection during his extraction from the dense foliage. He secured himself to the tree penetrator before severing the shroud lines and by properly signaling the distress operator, helped prevent the cable and tree penetrator from becoming entangled.

(b) (FR-1) Immediately after the recovery, Jolly Green 52 proceeded over the ridge line away from the enemy defenses and then climbed to altitude and exited the area for Channel 29. The survivor was released to the flight surgeon at Channel 99 and Jolly Green 52 and Pony Express 31 then ATD to Channel 32.
Throughout the mission, the air forces performed in a highly professional manner. There was minimum loss, excellent coordination and cooperation of all activities, with excellent radio discipline. The high degree of professionalism is illustrated by the fact that separate air missions were being conducted simultaneously.

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Survivor - Captain Vailbridge - Forrest S., Thailand

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