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Colonel Hayden C. Curry, USAF  
Air Attache  
Office of the Air Attache  
U. S. Embassy  
Viecliane, Laos

Dear Colonel Curry:

I wish to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of your thoughtful letter of 27 September, regarding the rescue of an RLAF pilot by the crew of the UH-34D, Hotel 89, on 20th September 1971.

Air America is proud of the role that its pilots have been able to play in the rescue of downed airmen in Laos, and in turn we have reason to be thankful for the SAR efforts of USAF in our behalf. I shall pass your letter to our Base Manager in Udorn, where Captain Henthorn is based, and I know he will make sure that your commendation is passed to Captain Henthorn and his crew, and made a part of their personnel records.

Thank you again for your consideration,

Sincerely yours,

James A. Cunningham, Jr.  
Base Manager

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