FLIGHT INFORMATION CENTER

ACTIVITY REPORT

Date: 25 DECEMBER 1970

PILOT'S NAME: Capt. B.A. Van Etten
REPORTER'S NAME: Capt. B.A. Van Etten

AIRCRAFT NO.: H79
AIRCRAFT TYPE: H-34

DATE/TIME OF ACTIVITY: 24 December 1970/0955L

LOCATION/COURSE: T38160/On ground

ALTITUDE (MSL): 4100'
(ABOVE TERRAIN): 0'

A/C Hit: XXX
Near Miss: Observed Fire/Flashes XXX
Heard Fire XXX

ESTIMATE OF WEAPON LOCATION (COORDINATE):
TO THE EAST OF PAD

TYPE: Small Arms Automatic Weapon AA Other MORTAR OR RECOILLESS RIFLE

INTENSITY: Light XXX Moderate Heavy

DURATION OF FIRE: ONE ROUND

PROBABLE CALIBER: UNK.

REMARKS: (AIRCRAFT DAMAGE, EVASIVE ACTION, FLAK DESCRIPTION, TRACERS, TIME LAPSE BETWEEN FLASH & SOUND OF AAA, etc.)

While offloading at the VP1 Pad, one round of either mortar or recoilless rifle fire impacted to the immediate right of the aircraft. Fragmentation produced approximately twenty entry holes in the right side of the aircraft and fifteen exit holes on the left side. PIC sustained fragmentation wound in the leg and F/H had one piece glance off his helmet. No other injuries were sustained. After round impacted, PIC executed immediate liftoff from pad and quickly determined the aircraft was flyable to the nearest secure airstrip. PIC was then medivaced back to T96.

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MGDR WAS
TP1089 DECEMBER 24, 1970 REC'D WAS DEC 24 1970
SUBJ UDORN REPORTS ACCIDENT TO UH34D
AAA TEN TWO
BBB UH34D H79
CCC TG8160 1/2 MILE EAST NORTH EAST L108
DDD 0225Z 24 DEC 1970
EEE PIC B.A. VANETTEN ONE PUNCTURE HOLE MIDDLE PART OF RIGHT THIGH LATERALLY COMMA FULL EXTENT OF INJURY NOT YET DETERMINED BUT NOT SERIOUS. UNDERGOING TREATMENT AT 432ND USAF HOSPITAL. FM C.F. BRIGHAM NONE
FFF ONE LAO NO INJURY
GGG MORE THAN FORTY HOLES IN AIRCRAFT. EXTENT OF DAMAGE YET TO BE DETERMINED HHH BATTLE DAMAGE III N/A
JJJ EXPECT TO RETURN AIRCRAFT TO UDORN TODAY
KKK P.C. GODDARD END
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