**FLIGHT INFORMATION CENTER**

**ACTIVITY REPORT**

**BASE** SAIGON

**PILOT'S NAME** Capt. A.S. LENT

**REPORTER'S NAME** Capt. A.S. LENT

**AIRCRAFT NO.** N185K

**AIRCRAFT TYPE** PC6-0

**DATE/TIME OF ACTIVITY** 15 JULY 1970 / 0850L

**AIRCRAFT LOCATION/COURSE** WR 970780 / 150 deg.

**ALTITUDE (MSL)** 1000 ft

**ESTIMATE OF WEAPON LOCATION (COORDINATE):**

**TYPE** Small Arms

**INTENSITY** Light

**DURATION OF FIRE** ONE ROUND

**PROBABLE CALIBER** .30 CAL.

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

As acft was descending approximately 12 miles from destination (V16) circumnavigating thunder storms prior to landing, one small caliber round entered through the drop door; passed through the cabin floor and seat support structure; and lodged in passenger's right thigh (USAID adviser Mr. William Proff). Passengers on board applied a tourniquet while acft returned to Can Tho where medical assistance was provided and minor skin, floor, and seat repairs were made to the acft.

Contract 7001.

DEBRIEFED BY E. A. CLAY

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SUBJ AIRCRAFT INCIDENT

1. SAIGON REPORTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING A GUNKIRE HIT ON PORTER N185K IN FLIGHT. WE USE THE +TEN CODE+ REPORTING FORMAT USED IN THE FIELD FOR THIS INITIAL INCIDENT REPORTING BY TELEPRINTER AND INQUIRE WHETHER YOU FIND THIS FORMAT APPROPRIATE FOR FUTURE USE OR PREFER THE NARRATIVE FORMAT PREVIOUSLY USED IN CABLEGRAMS, OR SOME OTHER FORMAT.

2. AAA TEN THREE (AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT WITH MINOR INJURIES).
   BBB (AIRCRAFT TYPE AND IDENTIFICATION) PORTER N185K.
   CCC PLACE OF ACCIDENT (INCLUDING UTM AT LEAST) WR9707 ENROUTE
   CAN THO TO SAC TRANG
   DDD (TIME) 150050Z 7JU 1970
   EEE (CREW POSITION, NAMES AND INJURIES) PIC A.S.LENT NO INJURIES.
   FFF (NUMBER OF PASSENGERS BY NATIONALITY AND MINOR, SERIOUS OR FATAL INJURIES) SIX PASSENGERS, FOUR AMERICAN TWO VIETNAMESE.
   AMERICAN PASSENGER WILLIAM PROPP VORDS EMPLOYEE HIT IN RIGHT LEG BY 30 CALLBRE BULLET. OTHER PASSENGERS UNINJURED.
   GGG (DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT) SKIN DAMAGE TO DROP DOOR, CABIN FLOOR AND ONE PASSENGER SEAT BY BULLET.
HHH (NATURE OF ACCIDENT) ONE 30 CALIBRE BULLET WENT UP THROUGH BOTTOM OF DROP DOOR AND PASSED THROUGH CABIN FLOOR AND PASSENGER SEAT AND LODGED IN RIGHT THIGH OF PASSENGER IN THE SEAT. OTHER PASSENGERS APPLIED Tourniquet WHILE AIRCRAFT RETURNED TO CAN THO. AIRCRAFT WAS DESCENDING ABOUT TWELVE MILES FROM DESTINATION AND AT ABOUT 1,000 FEET ALTITUDE CIRCUMNAVIGATING THUNDERSTORMS WHEN HIT III (WEATHER) SCATTERED THUNDERSTORMS, TWO MILES VISIBILITY. JJJ (REMARKS) WOUNDED PASSENGER TAKEN TO US ARMY HOSPITAL IN CAN THO, CONDITION REPORTED GOOD.

KKK (NAME OF AIRCREWS IMMEDIATE SUPERVISORS) CAPT. G.T. VANIGEN AND FELIX TIDWELL.

3. IF ABOVE FORMAT DESIRED FOR FUTURE SIMILAR REPORTS EITHER THE LETTER EXAMPLE III OR ITEM EXAMPLE WEATHER COULD BE USE AS ITEM HEADING AS DESIRED. ALSO, REPORTS OF GELATIVELY MINOR

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