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FOR M18. ARDF REPORT N021

1. ARDF

A. PERIOD OF REPORT 1 - 12 JAN INCL

B. FLYING TIME DAY 38 HRS

NIGHT 4 HRS

C. RESULTS 70

D. CLASSIFICATION GOOD 12 FAIR 40 POOR 11 CUTS 7

E. NO FLYING 11 JAN - AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE

2. COMMENTS

ALFA. THE EXCELLENT RESULTS THIS PERIOD ARE DUE TO THE INCREASE IN
RADIO COMMUNICATIONS IN AUM 352 AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. FOR THE SAME
PERIOD THE US ARMY DIRECT SUPPORT AIRCRAFT OBTAINED 43 FIXES ON THE

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31	9	118



SAME AREA FLYING 48 HRS

BRAVO. CAPTAIN BERNIE FORREST, OC FIXED WING AIRCRAFT AT 161 RECCE FLIGHT HAS REPORTED THAT THE ARDF AIRCRAFT HAS NARROWLY AVOIDED A COLLISION ON THREE OCCASIONS DURING THE PAST MONTH. REASONS GIVEN ARE THAT THERE IS A GREATER NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT/CHOPPERS IN AREA DURING OPERATIONS AND THAT PILOTS ATTENTION TO HIS INSTRUMENTS AND FIXING HIS POSITION ON THE GROUND BY VISUAL MEANS WHEN TRYING TO FLY A STRAIGHT PATH FOR FIXES DOES NOT ALLOW THE PILOT TO OBSERVE OTHER AIRCRAFT IN AREA. THIS MUST SUPPORT OUR REQUEST FOR NAVAGATIONAL AID IN AIRCRAFT.

CHARLIE. COL MCLEES J2 MACV SPECIAL PROJECTS, WITH DODSPECREP WILL BE VISITING THIS UNIT ON 22 JAN TO DISCUSS ARDF AIRCRAFT. WILL SIGNAL RESULTS OF DISCUSSION.

3. DURING MY HOSPITALISATION A MRDF TEAM VISITED AREA ALUMN AND DECIDED AGAINST MRDF SITE. REASON NOT KNOWN TO THIS DATE.

4. ALL MR6 COVER HAS BEEN DROPPED DUE TO ALL OUT EFFORT IN OUR OWN AREA.