

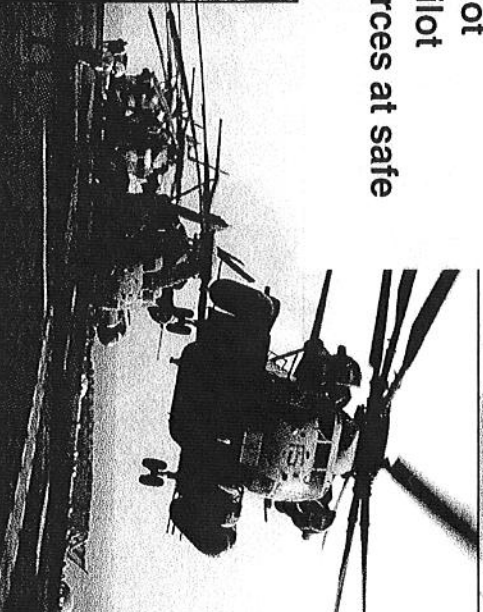
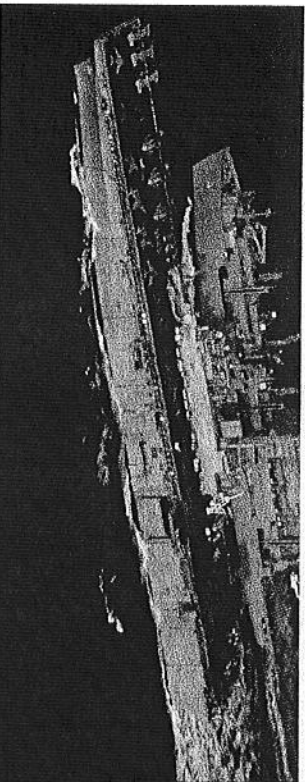
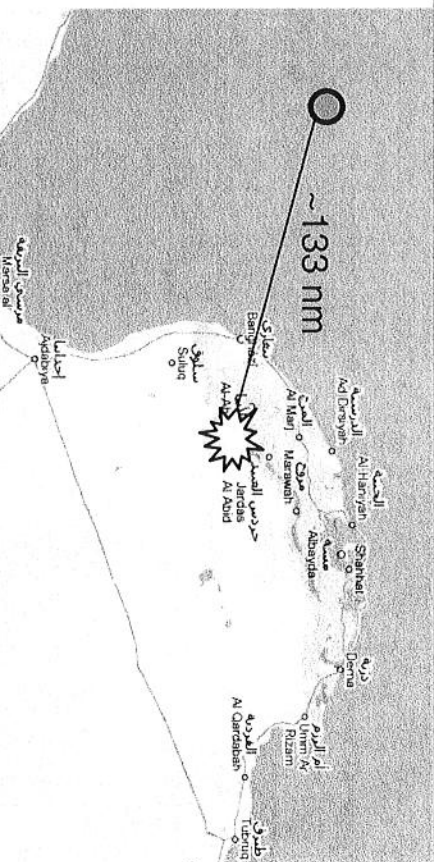
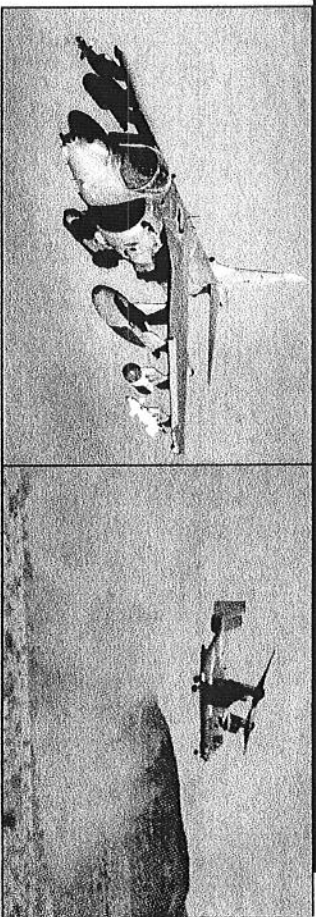


UNCLASSIFIED 26TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNIT Tactical Recovery of Aircraft and Personnel (TRAP)



Timeline:

- 2333B 21 Mar: USAF F-15E goes down, pilot and WSO eject safely
- 0050B: 22 Mar: 2xAV-8Bs launch USS Kearsarge (KSG)
- 0055B: JFACC approves TRAP
- 0120B: MEU KC-130J launch Sigonella IOT refuel TRAP aircraft
- 0120B: AV-8Bs overhead downed pilots with F-16 in comm with F-15 pilot.
- 0130B: (quick reaction force) QRF 2xCH53E ready for launch with 46 Marines
- 0133B: AV-8Bs drop 2xGBU-12 ISO F-15 pilot
- 0133B: 2xMV-22s launch KSG
- 0151B: QRF (CH-53E) launch KSG
- 0219B: MV-22s overhead F-15 Pilot
- 0238B: MV-22 lands LZ recovers F-15 Pilot
- 0300B: MV-22s recover KSG with F-15 Pilot
- WSO reported in-hands of opposition forces at safe house



- 26 MEU TRAP Package**
- BLT 3/8 RECON PLT
 - 2xAV8Bs
 - 2xMV-22Bs
 - 2xCH-53Es
 - 1xKC130J