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ACTION: SSS-1 INFO: IIS-1, IGO-1, MSG-1, SAFOS-3, XPD-4, XOP-2, XOX-2,
JCS-1, CCS-3 (20) ADV CY XOX

SIB C065PTTSZYUW RLEDLBR6962 122 1935-SSSS-RLEFHQA.

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P 221820Z JAN 68

FM 4683ABGP THULE AB GRNLD

TO RLEFHQA/CSAF/AF IIS/AF SSS G

RUWTKIA/DIR NUCLEAR SAFETY KIRKLAND AFB NMEX/AF INS/

RUWJABA/DIR OF AEROSP SAFETY NORTON AFB CALIF/AF IAS

RUWJABA/DEPIG FOR INSP AND SAFETY NORTON AFB CALIF/AF IDI

RUCSAAA/SAC/DOSD/DM8

RUWIAA/UCAVIA TINKER AFB OKLA/SSM

RUEDFIA/AF LC WPAFB OHIO/MCMT

RUEDFIA/AF LC/MCIA N/

RUEDFHQA/CSAF/AFMSG

RUEDTAA/AF SC/SCIZ

RUWINGA/DIR SP WPNS KELLY AFB TEX/SAWPT

RUWTKIA/AFWL KIRTLAND AFB NMEX/WLAS/

RUCIFGA/ASD WPAFB OHIO

RUWIDAA/SAC OTSL CARSWELL AFB TEX

RUCLBMA/AFATL EGLIN AFB FLA/AIZE

RUWJFDA/WICHITA AFPRO AF PLANT 13 WICHITA KANS

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E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.4

NJ 88-122

By if, NARA, Date 10-18-88

INFO...CJCS-1 DJS-3 J3-8 NMCC-1 S/DEF-7 ASD/ISA-9 ASD/PA-1 GC-1
AE-1 W/H STATE-1 CNO-2 CSAF-1 CMC-7 DASA-2 FILE-1(51)JF/JB

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RUCSAAA/554AERO SPRTECHWG OFFUIT AFB NEBR/DS

RUCSAAA/3 902ABWG OFFUIT AFB NEBR/DS

RUNJBDA/4200OPS EVAL AND TNG SQ EDWARDS AFB CALIF

AIG 667/DS

AIG 669/DS

AIG 6888

AIG 689/DS

AIG 691/DS/EXCEPT 98 STRATWG)

AIG 735/DS

BT

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SUBJ: SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT NUMBER 1 OF NUCLEAR ACCIDENT (BROKEN ARROW)

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THIS MESSAGE IN TWO PARTS

PART 1 ATTCH 4 AFR 127-4

A. 21 JAN 68 1640 AST APPROXIMATELY SEVEN AND ONE QUARTER MILES WEST
OF THULE AB ON NORTH STAR BAY, GREENLAND

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C. B-52G SERIAL NUMBER 580188

D. [REDACTED]

E. TRAINING FLIGHT OPERATION BUTTER KNIFE

F. SEE (K) BELOW PART 2

G. UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME

H. N/A

I. INTERNAL MHU 20/C SN 246

J. SAC DISASTER TEAM ON BASE. OCAMA PERSONNEL REQUESTED AND IN ROUTE

(EGRESS, PERSONAL EQUIPMENT, PNEUMATICS AND EXPLOSION AND FIRE

PATTERN) AFLC EDD PERSONNEL PARTIALLY IN PLACE.

K. UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME

L. UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME

M. NO

N. SEE Y BELOW PART 2

PART TWO ATTACH 5 APR 127-4

E. CAPT JOHN M HAUG, FR 56798. 528 BOMB SQ SAC [REDACTED]

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AC: MAJOR ALFRED J. D'AMARIO JR, FV222539, 528 BOMB SQ SAC
[REDACTED] CO-PILOT/3RD PILOT; MAJOR FRANK HOPKINS, FR57494, 528
BOMB SQ. SAC [REDACTED] RADAR NAVIGATOR; CAPT RICHARD E MARX,
FR 73653, 528 BOMB SQ. SAC [REDACTED] ELECTRONICS WARFARE
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OFFICER; SSGT CALVIN W. SNAPP, AF 14703038, 528 BOMB SQ, SAC
[REDACTED] GUNNER; CAPT LEONARD SVITENKO, SER FR 64094,
528 BOMB SQ, SAC [REDACTED] CP OCCUPYING IP SEAT;
CAPT CURTIS CRISS SER NR FV2080682, 528 BOMB SQ, SAC [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NAVIGATOR.

F. MAJOR FRANK HOPKINS RECEIVED MAJOR INJURIES COMMINUTED FRACTURE
OF RIGHT HUMERUS WITH DISLOCATION OF RIGHT HUMERAL HEAD. SIMPLE
FRACTURE OF RIGHT RADIUS. MINOR FROSTBITE RIGHT GREAT AND MIDDLE
TOES. EJECTION, BALLISTIC ALTITUDE APPROX 14,000 - 15000 FEET.
MAJOR ALFRED D'AMARIO, CAPT JOHN M. HAUG, CAPT RICHARD MARX
AND SSGT CALVIN W. SNAPP EJECTED SUCCESSFULLY AT APPROX 14,000 FEET.
TYPE BALLISTIC ALL RECEIVED MINOR INJURIES.
CAPT SVITENKO INJURIES MULTIPLE, SEVERE, FATAL FOUND WITHOUT
PARACHUTE, HELEMT, BOOTS AND MAJORITY OF CLOTHING. BAILOUT AT
UNKNOWN ALTITUDE BELOW 14,000 FEET.

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CAPT CRISS BALLISTIC EJECTION APPROX 14,000 - 15,000 FEET, FOUND
ALIVE APPROX 22/133 LAST DISLOCATED SHOULDER, FROSTBITE, GENERAL
EXPOSURE.

G. NONE

H. UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME

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I. TIME OF LAUNCH 1430Z 21 JAN FOR 21 PLUS 14

J. MISSION APPER STION BUTTER KNIFE

K. AIRCRAFT WAS IN THULE ORBIT AT 33,000 FEET. NAVIGATOR
REPORTED SMOKE AND CREW WENT ON OXYGEN. SMOKE SEEMED TO EMANATE
FROM INSIDE PRESSURIZED COMPARTMENT NEAR IN POSITION.

PILOT STARTED DESCENT. NAVIGATOR EXHAUSTED TWO FIRE EXTINGUISHERS
TO NO AVAIL. DENSE SMOKE CONTINUED AND RENDERED FLIGHT
INSTRUMENTS UNREADABLE AT TIMES. PILOT REPORTED LOSS OF ALL
ELECTRICAL POWER, AND ORDERED BAILOUT AS AIRCRAFT PASSED OVER
AIR BASE AT APPROXIMATELY 14,000 TO 18,000 FEET. AIRCRAFT
CRASHED ON SEA ICE AND BURNED. PRELIMINARY SURVEY OF CRASH SITE
HAS BEEN MADE USING DOG SLED TEAMS AND HELICOPTERS. BURN AREA
AND PARTS OF AIRCRAFT LOCATED. MAIN PORTION OF AIRCRAFT NOT
LOCATED. RF-4 AIRCRAFT WITH NIGHT PHOTO CAPABILITY HAVE BEEN

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L. NCNE

M. NCNE

N. IFR BUTTER KNIFE

O. [REDACTED]

P. LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVATION AT 212043Z CLRG MINISS 24/ MINSESS

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33/1107/971. WEATHER NOT A FACTOR

Q. UNKNOWN

R. NO DISTRIBUTION OF WRECKAGE HAS BEEN MADE AT THIS TIME

S. NCNE

T. SAME AS PART ONE ITEM J

U. NO

V. NO

W. YES

X. NO

Y. 8TH AF ACCIDENT BOARD ASSUMED INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITY 0615

AST 22 JAN. B/G ALBERT J. BOWLEY FR 10101 PRESIDENT, DUTY PHONE

6182 QUARTERS PHONE 81109.

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