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INFO: *USAF Declass/Release Instructions On File*

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OSA 1-15 RJ

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OX CART/BLACKSHIELD OPERATION

SUBJECT: UNUSUAL OPERATIONAL TACTIC

1. REQUEST [] APPROVE THE FOLLOWING UNUSUAL TACTIC IAW SAC
 OPOD 62-68-05, PART II, PARA 7, A, (2), (B).

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2. SITUATION:

A. OPERATIONAL NECESSITY DICTATES A-12 CRITICAL TIMING OVER
 DENIED IN COORDINATION WITH OTHER SCHEDULED ACTIVITY. SECOND WINDOW
 IS TOO LATE. RESULT IS AN AIRBORNE "SPARE" A-12 WHICH TAKES OFF
 20 MINUTES AFTER THE PRIMARY.

3. REQUIREMENT:

A. BOTH RECEIVERS NEED BE REFUELED 20 MINUTES APART IN THE FIRST
 REFUELING AREA, I.E., []

B. TANKERS REQUIRE TACTIC TO SATISFY THIS DOUBLE REFUELING
 REQUIREMENT.

4. UNUSUAL TACTIC:

A. GENERAL; FOUR-SHIP TANKER CELL WITH SEPARATE C/R PLANS

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GROUP 1
EXCLUDED FROM AUTOMATIC
DOWNGRADING AND
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COMMON INTERPLANE), TWO TANKERS PROVIDE AIR SPARED OFFLOAD FOR FIRST RECEIVER, TWO TANKERS PROVIDE AIR SPARED OFFLOAD FOR SECOND RECEIVER.

B. PROCEDURE:

(1) COMBINATION AR AND WEATHER SCOUT TANKER DEPARTS TO PROVIDE WEATHER SCOUT INFORMATION.

(2) A THREE-SHIP CELL DEPARTS TO RENDEZVOUS WITH FIRST TANKER. ALL FOUR TANKERS USE COMMON UHF INTERPLANE. TANKER TO TANKER RENDEZVOUS PERFORMED WITH TANKER NO. 1 AT BASE AR ALTITUDE PLUS 1,000 FEET. THREE-SHIP CELL AT BASE PLUS 2000, 2500, 3000 FEET.

(3) TANKERS ONE AND TWO DESIGNATED TO REFUEL FIRST RECEIVER USING PRESENT TACTICS. DURING ORBIT TANKERS 2, 3 AND 4 REMAIN IN TRAIL. WHEN TANKERS ONE AND TWO DEPART ORBIT, TANKERS 3 AND 4 REMAIN IN ORBIT.

(4) WHEN CLEAR, TANKERS 3 AND 4 DESCEND TO AR BASE ALTITUDE PLUS 1000, 1500 FEET. PERFORM NORMAL RENDEZVOUS WITH SECOND RECEIVER.

C. COMMUNICATIONS:

(1) COMMON TANKER INTERPLANE.

(2) SEPARATE: AIR REFUELING PRIMARY (EXTERNAL) FREQ., CODE, RANGE ADDRESS; HF BACKUP.

D. ATC COORDINATION:

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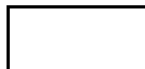
(1) DIRECT ON BASE COORDINATION, WITH WILL PRESENT NO PROBLEMS.

(2) ROUTING OF TANKERS ONE AND TWO FROM WILL BE

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ESTABLISHED TO AVOID THE SECOND CELL.

E. STRIP ALERT:

(1) AIR CAP WILL BE PROVIDED RETURNING SPARE A-12 BY ONE OF THE UNUSED TANKERS.

(2) NORMAL GROUND STRIP ALERT WILL BE PROVIDED MISSION A-12 ON RETURN.

5. THIS MESSAGE COORDINATED WITH DTF AND 4252SW COMMANDER.

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