Case Report

MISLE Case Id: 1102403  Opened Date: 13OCT2017 17:13Z  Scheduled End Date:  
Status: Closed - Agency Action Complete  
Title: SAR - Diver Missing - Niagara River - Buffalo NY  
Incident Type/Subtype: Search and Rescue / Diving Accident  
SMC/IC: Sector Buffalo  

Activities:  
MISLE Activity Id: 6287134  Title/Description: Search and Rescue Diving Accident/ /130500ZOct17  Enf Activity Id:  
Incident Summary: Update 06: Recovery efforts were successful. The missing diver was found on the bottom of the upper Niagara river in the vicinity of Strawberry Island. The diver was positively identified by next of kin. All assets RTB and ICP standing down. Case closed.

Update 05: Dive and SONAR operations continue. The focus for the 17 October operational period will be an area from the International Railroad Bridge north to the North Grand Island Bridge in the east channel and the Chippewa Channel on the west side of Grand Island. There are a total of 6 SONAR equipped vessels that will be operating in the area. 3 will work south to north and 3 will work north to south. Station Buffalo is on scene in the RB-M conducting shoreline searches in support of the operation. CWO [REDACTED] from the MSRT/LANT Dive Locker is on scene at the ICP as an advisor and safety representative. LT [REDACTED], Sector Buffalo IMD Chief, is on scene at the ICP as the USCG LNO. The challenges the divers and sonar teams face today is the strong and variable current, calculated to be anywhere from 8 to 15 knots and reduced visibility. A SONAR equipped vessels are going to execute a sonar search of the area between Thompson Road and Canada Chris  
UPDATE 3: Niagara Regional Police informed Sector Buffalo of a report from a passing motorist on the Niagara Parkway. The motorist reported a "Big black wetsuit". The R/S did not remain O/S. Police dispatch sent an officer to the reported location of the object (30 feet off the Ontario shoreline) but the officer was not able to locate the object.

NRP thought the object may be related to the missing BPD diver, and launched two boats from Fort Erie Fire and requested Erie County Air One. Air One was not able to fly due to high winds. SBCC launched Station Buffalo RB-M and requested assistance from Grand Island Fire Department, who was able to launch 2 boats. The area was searched for over 2 hours. The RB-M was released due to high crew hours, Fort Erie Fire boats departed and Grand Island Fire boats were released due to worsening weather. The object was never located.

All information was passed to D9, SMC, the sector liaison and Sector Commander. Buffalo PD was notified, as was JRCC Trenton and Western NY ALERT Region 1 Coordinator. Due to poor weather in the Buffalo area, continued searching at night would not be prudent, safe, or effective.

UPDATE 2/FINAL: Buffalo P.D. has called off recovery operations for the night and released all assets. The MH65 and RB-M completed search with NEGRES and are RTB. Case closed for text purposes.
Update 1: All agencies involved completed searches with NEGRES, SMC (Buffalo P.D.) confirmed they granted ACTSUS. Recovery efforts continue. MH-65 is currently on scene flying overhead for recovery efforts and the RB-M is also assisting with recovery efforts. Buffalo P.D. plans to continue efforts until around 2100 lcl and suspend recovery efforts for the night.

INCIDENT TYPE: INITIAL - SAR
DATE/TIME INCIDENT: 131705Z OCT 17
VESSEL NAME: N/A
SMC: BUFFALO P.D.
GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION: UPPER NIAGARA RIVER - BUFFALO, NY
MISLE: 1102403

SITUATION: Sector Buffalo received a report of a Buffalo Police Diver trapped underwater IVO Squaw Island Upper Niagara river.

ACTION: Sector Buffalo did not issue a UMIB due to concern for manner and diver safety in the area. Sector launched a 45' RB-M from Station Buffalo and requested the launch of an MH-65 from Air Station Detroit. Buffalo P.D. assumed SMC due to being the first on scene and directing multiple OGA's. The dive team believed the tether line of the missing diver was hung up on an object underwater and asked the RB-M to move the line in an attempt to free it. Upon moving the tether line it was discovered that the line was cut. The missing diver's secondary oxygen tank and mouth piece resurfaced IVO where the tether line entered the water. There are currently at least 10 agencies on scene including Buffalo P.D., Buffalo F.D., Tonawanda marine unit, Hamburg water rescue, Erie County marine, Fort Erie marine unit, CBP marine unit, CBP helo's, Erie County Air 1, State Police helo, as well as multiple dive teams. An ICP has been stood up on Unity Island and Station Buffalo's OIC has arrived on scene. The RB-M has paramedics and EMTs on board ready to respond if the missing diver is located. The MH-65 arrived at Niagara international airport and is awaiting tasking from SMC (Buffalo P.D.).

FUTURE PLANS: Search efforts will continue with the multiple assets on scene.

MISLE Attachments: 1102403 SAP.doc
PSDA 1102403.pdf
LOG 02 13OCT17.doc
CGR6566 14OCT17.pdf
LOG 01 14OCT17.doc
OU NOTES 1102403.pdf
UMIB WETSUIT 16OCT17.pdf
SMIB COTP BU.pdf
LOG 02 17OCT17.doc

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Enf Activity Id:
Incident Summary:
MISLE Attachments:

Title/Description: THE FOOT OF FERRY BUFFALO PD DIVER
Title/Description: UPPER NIAGARA RIVER MISSING DIVER

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Title/Description: UPPER NIAGRA RIVER POSSIBLE WET SUIT SIGHTING

Title/Description: SAR - Diver Missing - Niagara River - Buffalo NY
TO: INFO: BT UNCLAS //N16130//

SUBJ: SEARCH AND RESCUE/DIVING ACCIDENT/LAT: 42°54.1 N LONG: 078°54.4 W
PERIOD: 130000Z OCT 17 - 022359Z APR 18

1. SITUATION.
A. CURRENT STATUS: CLOSED - AGENCY ACTION COMPLETE
B. NOTIFICATION: 13 OCT 2017 BUFFALO 911, 911 OR OTHER EMERGENCY NUMBER
C. NARRATIVE: UPDATE 06: RECOVERY EFFORTS WERE SUCCESSFUL. THE MISSING DIVER WAS FOUND ON THE BOTTOM OF THE UPPER NIAGARA RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF STRAWBERRY ISLAND. THE DIVER WAS POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BY NECK OF KIN. ALL ASSETS RTB AND ICP STANDING DOWN. CASE CLOSED.

UPDATE 05: DIVE AND SONAR OPERATIONS CONTINUE. THE FOCUS FOR THE 17 OCTOBER OPERATIONAL PERIOD WILL BE AN AREA FROM THE INTERNATIONAL RAILROAD BRIDGE NORTH TO THE NORTH GRAND ISLAND BRIDGE IN THE EAST CHANNEL AND THE CHIPPEWA CHANNEL ON THE WEST SIDE OF GRAND ISLAND. THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 6 SONAR EQUIPPED VESSELS THAT WILL BE OPERATING IN THE AREA. 3 WILL WORK NORTH TO NORTH AND 3 WILL WORK SOUTH TO SOUTH. STATION BUFFALO IS ON SCENE IN THE RB-M CONDUCTING SHORELINE SEARCHES IN SUPPORT OF THE OPERATION. CWO FROM THE MSRT/LANT DIVE LOCKER IS ON SCENE AT THE ICP AS AN ADVISOR AND SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE. LT SECTOR BUFFALO IMC CHIEF IS ON SCENE AT THE ICP AS THE USCG LNO. THE CHALLENGES THE DIVERS AND SONAR TEAMS FACE TODAY IS THE STRONG AND VARIABLE CURRENT, CALCULATED TO BE ANYWHERE FROM 8 TO 15 KNOTS AND REDUCED VISIBILITY. A SONAR EQUIPPED VESSELS ARE GOING TO EXECUTE A SONAR SEARCH OF THE AREA BETWEEN THOMPSON ROAD AND CANADA CHRIS.

UPDATE 3: NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE INFORMED SECTOR BUFFALO OF A REPORT FROM A PASSING MOTORIST ON THE NIAGARA PARKWAY. THE MOTORIST REPORTED A "BIG BLACK WETSUIT" THE R/S DID NOT REMAIN O/S. POLICE DISPATCH SENT AN OFFICER TO THE REPORTED LOCATION OF THE OBJECT (30 FEET OFF THE ONTARIO SHORELINE) BUT THE OFFICER WAS NOT ALONE TO LOCATE THE OBJECT.

NRP THOUGHT THE OBJECT MAY BE RELATED TO THE MISSING BPD DIVER, AND LAUNCHED TWO BOATS FROM FORT ERIE FIRE AND REQUESTED ERIE COUNTY AIR ONE. AIR ONE WAS NOT ABLE TO FLY DUE TO HIGH WINDS. SBCC LAUNCHED STATION BUFFALO RB-M AND REQUESTED ASSISTANCE FROM GRAND ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHO WAS ABLE TO LAUNCH 2 BOATS. THE AREA WAS SEARCHED FOR OVER 2 HOURS. THE RB-M WAS RELEASED DUE TO HIGH CREW HOURS, FORT ERIE FIRE BOATS DEPARTED AND GRAND ISLAND FIRE BOATS WERE RELEASED DUE TO WORSENING WEATHER. THE OBJECT WAS NEVER LOCATED.

ALL INFORMATION WAS PASSED TO D9, SMC, THE SECTOR LIAISON AND SECTOR COMMANDER. BUFFALO PD WAS NOTIFIED, AS WAS JRCC TRENTON AND WESTERN NY ALERT REGION 1 COORDINATOR. DUE TO POOR WEATHER IN THE BUFFALO AREA, CONTINUED SEARCHING AT NIGHT WOULD NOT BE PRUDENT, SAFE, OR EFFECTIVE.

UPDATE 2/FINAL: BUFFALO P.D. HAS CALLED OFF RECOVERY OPERATIONS FOR THE NIGHT AND RELEASED ALL ASSETS. THE MH65 AND RB-M COMPLETED SEARCH WITH NEGRESS AND ARE RTB. CASE CLOSED FOR TEXT PURPOSES.

UPDATE 1: ALL AGENCIES INVOLVED COMPLETED SEARCHES WITH NEGRESS. SMC (BUFFALO P.D.) CONFIRMED THEY GRANTED ACT SUS. RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE. MH-65 IS CURRENTLY ON SCENE FLYING OVERHEAD FOR RECOVERY EFFORTS AND THE RB-M IS ALSO
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SITUATION: SECTOR BUFFALO RECEIVED A REPORT OF A BUFFALO POLICE DIVER TRAPPED UNDERWATER IVO SQUAW ISLAND UPPER NIAGARA RIVER.

ACTION: SECTOR BUFFALO DID NOT ISSUE A UMIB DUE TO CONCERN FOR MARINER AND DIVER SAFETY IN THE AREA. SECTOR LAUNCHED A 45' RB-M FROM STATION BUFFALO AND REQUESTED THE LAUNCH OF AN MH-65 FROM AIR STATION DETROIT. BUFFALO P.D. ASSUMED SMC DUE TO BEING THE FIRST ON SCENE AND DIRECTING MULTIPLE OGA'S. THE DIVE TEAM BELIEVED THE TETHER LINE OF THE MISSING DIVER WAS HUNG UP ON AN OBJECT UNDERWATER AND ASKED THE RB-M TO MOVE THE LINE IN AN ATTEMPT TO FREE IT. UPON MOVING THE TETHER LINE IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT THE LINE WAS CUT. THE MISSING DIVER'S SECONDARY OXYGEN TANK AND MOUTH PIECE RESURFACED IVO WHERE THE TETHER LINE ENTERED THE WATER. THERE ARE CURRENTLY AT LEAST 10 AGENCIES ON SCENE INCLUDING BUFFALO P.D., BUFFALO P.D., TONAWANDA MARINE UNIT, HAMBURG WATER RESCUE, ERIE COUNTY MARINE, FORT ERIE MARINE UNIT, CHP MARINE UNIT, CBP HELO'S, ERIE COUNTY AIR 1, STATE POLICE HELO, AS WELL AS MULTIPLE DIVE TEAMS. AN ICP HAS BEEN STOOD UP ON UNITY ISLAND AND STATION BUFFALO'S OIC HAS ARRIVED ON SCENE. THE RB-M HAS PARAMEDICS AND EMTS ON BOARD READY TO RESPOND IF THE MISSING DIVER IS LOCATED. THE MH-65 ARRIVED AT NIAGARA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND IS AWAITING TASKING FROM SMC (BUFFALO P.D.).

FUTURE PLANS: SEARCH EFFORTS WILL CONTINUE WITH THE MULTIPLE ASSETS ON SCENE.

D. INVOLVED SUBJECTS:
PERSON NAME: UNKNOWN REPORTING PARTY, BUFFALO 911, DOB: , ROLE:
ORG. NAME: SECTOR BUFFALO, TEL: 716-843-9570, ROLE:
OTHER NAME: LANT CC, ROLE:

E. WEATHER:


12. ACTION TAKEN:
130024Z OCT17: DEPART TIME AND LOCATION
130322Z OCT17: SORTIE END TIME AND LOCATION
131705Z OCT17: INITIAL NOTIFICATION - ENTRANCE TO THE BLACK ROCK LOCK CANAL
131706Z OCT17: NO UMIB DUE TO INCIDENT AND AREA: BUFFALO F.D. ON SCENE
131707Z OCT17: SECTOR BUFFALO RECEIVED A REPORT OF A DIVER TRAPPED IVO FERRY STREET
NIAGARA RIVER
DISTRESS/ PHASE DETERMINED
ORM CONDUCTED IAW THE GAR MODEL NO SIGNIFICANT RISK FACTORS IDENTIFIED. CDR DROZDOWSKI
IS SMC
131719Z OCT17: SECTOR BUFFALO SMC BRIEFED
131720Z OCT17: SECTOR BUFFALO BRIEFED D9
131728Z OCT17: STA BUFFALO RBM ON SCENE
131729Z OCT17: BUFFALO RBM DIRECT TO PULL A LINE WITH THE DIVER ATTACHED.
131735Z OCT17: RBM REPORTS A TANK AND MOUTH PIECE
131740Z OCT17: BUFFALO POLICE REPORTS THE TANK IS THE BACK UP TANK
131757Z OCT17: ERIE COUNTY AIR ONE ON SCENE SEARCHING
131814Z OCT17: ASKED STATION BUFFALO TO SEND A REP TO THE ICP
131815Z OCT17: UPDATED SMC. SMC WILL BRIEF CAPTIAN.
131821Z OCT17: UPDATED D9
131828Z OCT17: ASSETS WE KNOW ERIE COUNTY AIR ONE REPORTS 1 HOUR ON SCENE TIME
NO: CG 45490 FORT ERIE FIRE 6 AND BUFFALO FIRE ZODIAC 1. ALSO THE CIVILIAN BOAT "MOLE" ALSO ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF MU2 AND MU3. TONAWANDA POLICE, CBP 150. HAMBURG
CP HELOS. CBP 317 BOAT STATE POLICE HELO. NORTH TONAWANDA DIVE TEAM ON SCENE.

NY PARKS POLICE.

OCT17: SECTOR BUFFALO REQUESTED A 65 FROM DETROIT
OCT17: CBP HELO ETA 25 MIN
OCT17: 45690 REPORTS 3 EMTS AND 1 DOCTOR
OCT17: STATE POLICE HELO ON SCENE
OCT17: GAR UPDATED TO 17
OCT17: CO DEPUTY UPDATED
OCT17: BM REPORTS SMC IS BUFFALO PD, SONAR HIT 42-54.843N 078-54.252
OCT17: UPDATE D9 BUFFALO 45 CREW HAS 6.9 HRZ UNTIL FITGUE. BUFFALO PD IS SMC
OCT17: STATE POLICE SEARCH COMPLETE NO VISUAL OR IR TARGETS. DEPARTING SCENE

WEST CHANNEL TO THE FALLS
OCT17: CBP FOUND A MASK APPROX HALFWAY BETWEEN THE PEACE BRIDGE AND
INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE. CDO NTFD
OCT17: ERIE AIR ONE DEPARTING SCENE
OCT17: CBP AIR DEPART
OCT17: CBP AIR DEPART SCENE
OCT17: CASE VALIDATED BY MR.

OFF WATCH
OCT17: CONTACTED THE COMMAND POST AND ICP HAD SPOKE WITH SMC AND THEY HAD
SHIFTED FROM ACTIVE SEARCH INTO RECOVERY MODE.
OCT17: BRIEFING CAPT DUPRESNE ON RECOMMENDING ACTSUS AND CONTINUE SUPPORT TO
BUFFALO PD WITH SURFACE AND AIR ASSETS.
OCT17: ACTSUS GRANTED BY SC AND CONCURS TO CONTINUE SUPPORT AS AN ASSIST UNIT
FOR THE BUFFALO PD.
OCT17: SMC WILL HAVE A MEETING AT 2030L TO POSSIBLY SUSPEND RECOVERY OPS FOR THE
EVENING AND CONTINUE IN THE MORNING.
OCT17: CG6566 HAS COMPLETED SEARCH AND WILL REFUEL AND THEN RTB.
OCT17: BUFFALO PD IS SUSPENDING SEARCH FOR THE EVENING AND WILL CONTINUE OPS IN
THE MORNING. STATION BUFFALO RTB.
OCT17: BRIEFING SMC CDR DROZDOWSKI ON UPDATE.
OCT17: CISM OFFERED TO ICP AND OTHER BOAT CREW MEMBERS, NONE WAS NEEDED BUT WILL
CONFIRM WHEN BOAT GETS BACK.
OCT17: CASE VALIDATED BY OS1
OCT17: REQUESTED TIME
OCT17: LAUNCH TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: ON SCENE/CSP TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: DEPART TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: SORTIE END TIME AND LOCATION
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OCT17: SORTIE END TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: DEPART TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: SORTIE END TIME AND LOCATION
OCT17: SBCC RECEIVED REPORT FROM NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE STATED SOMEONE DRIVING
SAW WHAT THEY BELIEVE TO BE A BLACK WET SUIT 30 FT OFFSHORE NIAGARA PARKWAY AND
FRENCHMANS LANE. SBCC LAUNCHED STATION BUFFALO AND ISSUED UMIB. ERIE FIREBOATS ARE ON
SCENE AND DOING SHORELINE SEARCHES FOR THE WET SUIT. STATION BUFFALO ON SCENE.
150218Z - D9 REPORTS SECTOR BUFFALO RECEIVED A REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE BUFFALO PD FOR A TRAPPED DIVER IVO BLACK ROCK CHANNEL IN THE NIAGARA RIVER ON 13 OCT. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE BUFFALO PD UNDERWATER RECOVERY TEAM AND WAS CONDUCTING TRAINING WHEN HE BECAME TRAPPED AND DID NOT RESURFACE. SECTOR BUFFALO LAUNCHED A 45' RB-M FROM STATION BUFFALO AND REQUESTED THE LAUNCH OF AN MH-65 FROM AIR STATION DETROIT. SEVERAL OGA'S WERE ON SCENE SEARCHING. ON 14 OCT, SECTOR BUFFALO RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE INCIDENT COMMAND POST (ICP) FOR ASSISTANCE IN IDENTIFYING A MORE QUALIFIED DIVE TEAM DUE TO THE SIGNIFICANT CURRENT IN THE AREA. A TARGET OF INTEREST WAS LOCATED IN THE NIAGARA RIVER BY A SIDE SCAN SONAR ARRAY BEING OPERATED BY AN OGA. LOCAL DIVERS ON SCENE WERE NOT COMFORTABLE DIVING IN THAT CURRENT. D9 CONTACTED LANTAREA, WHO MADE CONTACT WITH A U.S. NAVY LIAISON IN AN ATTEMPT TO FIND MORE SUITABLE/EXPERIENCED DIVERS. LANTAREA NOTIFIED D9 THAT DOD ASSETS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO CONDUCT DIVING OPERATIONS FOR THIS MISSION. MSRT WEST WILL PROVIDE A DIVE OFFICER TO ASSIST IN THE ICP AS AN SME. HE IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN BUFFALO LATE ON SUNDAY EVENING, 15 OCT. STATION BUFFALO IS STANDING BY FOR FURTHER REQUESTS TO ASSIST WITH RECOVERY OPERATIONS. CASE PENDS.
161912Z OCT17: UPDATE 1:

152055Z - D9 REPORTS ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS IN BUFFALO HAVE OFFERED THEIR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY VESSEL WHICH CAN PROVIDE HIGH RESOLUTION SONAR IMAGES. ADDITIONALLY, THE STATE OF NY REQUESTED SWIFT WATER DIVERS FROM THE LONG ISLAND AIR NATIONAL GUARD PARATROOPERS; THEY WILL BE EN ROUTE TOMORROW (MONDAY, 16 OCT). CASE PENDS.
161913Z OCT17: UPDATE 2:

161904Z - D9 REPORTS SECTOR BUFFALO RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE (ONTARIO) THAT A PASSING MOTORIST ON THE NIAGARA PARKWAY REPORTED SEEING WHAT APPEARED TO BE A "BIG BLACK WETSUIT" FLOATING APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET OFF THE ONTARIO SHORELINE IVO SOUTHERN GRAND ISLAND. THE REPORTING SOURCE DID NOT REMAIN ON SCENE; AN OFFICER RESPONDED TO THE LOCATION BUT WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE THE OBJECT. ADDITIONALLY, TWO PORT ERIE FIRE VESSELS RESPONDED. ERIE COUNTY AIR ONE WAS NOTIFIED BUT WAS UNABLE TO LAUNCH DUE TO HIGH WINDS. NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE ADVISED SECTOR BUFFALO OF THE REPORT DUE TO POSSIBLE CORRELATION TO THE MISSING BUFFALO PD DIVER. SECTOR BUFFALO LAUNCHED STATION BUFFALO'S 45' RB-M TO ASSIST AND REQUESTED THE ASSISTANCE OF GRAND ISLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO LAUNCHED TWO VESSELS. ALL RESPONDING ASSETS CONDUCTED MULTIPLE SEARCHES OF THE AREA OVER SEVERAL HOURS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS AND HAVE DEPARTED THE SCENE. BUFFALO PD, JRCC TRENTON, AND THE WESTERN NY ALERT REGION 1 COORDINATOR WERE NOTIFIED. SECTOR BUFFALO IS STANDING BY FOR FURTHER REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE. CASE PENDS.

171856Z OCT17: SBCC RECEIVED A REPORT THAT THE MISSING DIVER WAS FOUND ON THE BOTTOM OF THE UPPER NIAGARA RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF STRAWBERRY ISLAND. THE DIVER WAS POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BY NEXT OF KIN, DISTRICT 9 AND SMC BRIEFED. ALL ASSETS RTB AND ICP STANDING DOWN. BROADCASTS CANCELLED. CASE CLOSED.

171914Z OCT17: CASE VALIDATED BY LT [REDACTED].

172019Z OCT17: CASE HAS BEEN REVIEWED. LANT NEEDS TO CLOSE ACTIVITY.

172039Z OCT17: FINAL UPDATE:

171948Z - D9 REPORTS THE MISSING DIVER WAS LOCATED DECEASED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE NIAGARA RIVER IN THE VICINITY OF STRAWBERRY ISLAND, APPROXIMATELY 2.5 MILES DOWNRIVER (IN THE DIRECTION OF DRIFT) AND POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED BY NEXT OF KIN. AT THE TIME OF RECOVERY HE WAS WEARING ALL HIS ORIGINAL DIVE EQUIPMENT. ALL ASSETS HAVE RETURNED TO BASE AND THE ICP IS STANDING DOWN. CASE CLOSED.

13. PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

14. AMPLIFYING INFO:

15. SORTIE DATA:
M. UNIT: STATION BUFFALO, RESOURCE ID: - RBM, RISK ASSESSMENT: GREEN:17, TIME ON SORTIE: 08:53 TIME SEARCHING: 08:02
N. UNIT: AIR STATION DETROIT, RESOURCE ID: ASD, 6566, RISK ASSESSMENT: AMBER:30, TIME ON SORTIE: 08:16 TIME SEARCHING: 02:45
R. UNIT: STATION BUFFALO, RESOURCE ID: - RBM, RISK ASSESSMENT: AMBER:27, TIME ON SORTIE: 02:45 TIME SEARCHING: 02:44

16. MISLGE CASE ID: 1102403