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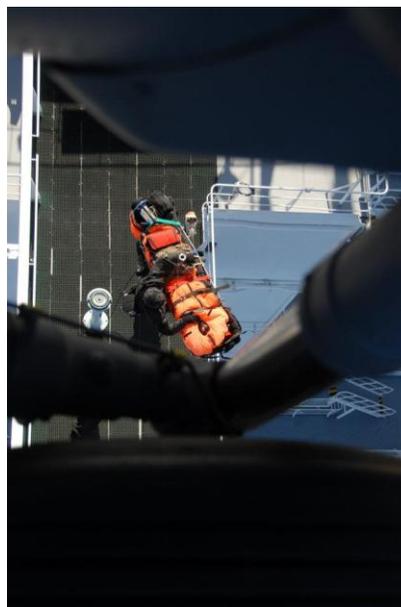
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129th Rescue Wing Performs Rescue Mission off California Coast

Members of the California Air National Guard's 129th Rescue Wing performed a search and rescue mission 200 miles off the coast of California on Saturday for a 54-year-old man who suffered stroke-like symptoms on a cargo ship.

Pararescuers responded to a call from the Eleventh District Coast Guard mid-morning on Saturday, and were onscene by noon with two HH-60G Pavehawk rescue helicopters and one MC-130P Combat Shadow aircraft. The man was medically evacuated to San Jose Regional Medical Center, bringing the total number of people saved by the 129th Rescue Wing to 948. The 129th Rescue Wing has performed a wide variety of civilian search and rescue missions, including distressed persons aboard ships, lost or injured hikers, and medical evacuations.

If you would like more information about this rescue or the California National Guard, please contact Specialist Rebecca Love, rebecca.a.love@us.army.mil or Staff Sergeant (CA) Rebecca Wolkenhauer, rebecca.wolkenhauer@us.army.mil, or call (916) 854-3705.



Staff Sgt. Adam Vanhaaster, a pararescueman assigned to the 131st Rescue Squadron, attached a hoist to a patients litter to be lifted into the HH-60G Pave Hawk rescue helicopter Feb. 4, 2012. (Air National Guard photo by Senior Airman Jessica Green)

If you have any questions regarding this, or any other matter pertaining to the California National Guard, please contact Major (Retired) Darrin Bender at (916) 854-3705.