

CHARLIE RAWLINGS CM A236. 75

GRENVILLE
TOUR.

MY NAME IS CHARLIE RAWLINGS OF A23 EDITION
I HAVE BEEN THERE 7 YEARS.

I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE BUILDING.
I WAS IN BED AT A23 WHEN I RECEIVED
ORDERS. I WAS OIC OF A236 FFU!
ON ARRIVAL AS I WAS PARKED A FAIR
WAY AWAY FROM INCIDENT. AS THE
ORDERING DIDNT COME THROUGH ON MOT
FOR MAP. THE BUILDING IN MY EYES
LOOKED A BLAZE I KNEW THEY'D NEED
BA AS PRIORITY SO I ORDERED MY
CREW TO ALL REPORT IN BA AND MAKE
OUR WAY TO THE JOB!

I ASKED WHERE THE BA HOLDING AREA
WAS AND GAVE MY NRB TO A WM
I SEE GOING TO COMMAND UNIT.

THE FIRE LOOKED LIKE IT WAS
GETTING BIGGER. THERE WAS FALLING
DEBRIS SO WE WAS BEING CALLED
INTO THE BLOCK FROM COVER.

THE BRIDGE HEAD WAS MOVED WHEN I
WAS WAITING ON THE MEZZANINE LEVEL
WANTH TO BE BRIEFED. I WAS

DECIDED TO FF ON 4TH FLOOR
AND PROTECT EXGRESS, ON MY WAY IN
A CREW OF 3 WE CAME ACROSS A CREW
AND A FAMILY WHO TOLD ME THAT
A RELATIVE WAS ON THE 7TH FLOOR

I RADIOED BA CONTROL TO INFORM THEM
I WAS MAKING MY WAY TO THE
7TH FLOOR BUT ALL COMMS WERE DOWN
ON MY AND MY CREW MEMBERS
RADIO.

ON OUR WAY TO 7TH FLOOR OR ABOUT
THE 6TH MAYBE 7TH... I LOCATED A CASUA
LTY, ON THE LANDING OF THE STAIRS.
ALL THIS TIME WE HAD NO FF. MEDIA
AS THE BRANCH WE WERE MENT TO
RETRIEVE WOULDN'T MAKE REACHED THE
7TH FLOOR, WE MADE OUR WAY DOWN
WITH CASUALTY HE WAS A MIDDLE
AGED MAN QUITE OVERWEIGHT, HE
HAD NO TROUSERS ON AND WAS UNCONSCIOUS.
BUT WE GOT BACK TO THE 4TH FLOOR
THE CONDITIONS GOT WORSE (PASSED)
CASUALTY TOO THE OTHER 2 MEMBERS
OF MY CREW AND AIMED THE
JET (45mm) INTO THE DOOR WAY AS
THE HEAT coming from there increased
HE MADE OUR WAY OUT WITH
CASUALTY, AND I WAS TREATED BY LAS
FOR HEAT STROKE.

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