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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: BURIAL OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN WHO WAS  
DROWNED OFF THE COAST OF LY NHON NAM VILLAGE, QUANG  
TRACH DISTRICT, QUANG BINH (NOW BINH TRI THIEN)  
PROVINCE, ABOUT EARLY SPRING 1969

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SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. AROUND EARLY SPRING (ABOUT THE THIRD LUNAR MONTH) 1969, THE GRAY BODY OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN WAS WASHED UP ON THE BEACH OF LY NHOM NAM (LOCALLY CALLED LY NAM) VILLAGE (XE 6742), QUANG TRACH DISTRICT, QUANG BINH (NOW PART OF BINH TRI THIEN) PROVINCE. HE WAS WEARING ONLY UNDERCLOTHES AND WAS ABOUT 1.85 METERS TALL. THREE DAYS BEFORE, THE LOCAL COASTAL OBSERVATION STATION SAW A REPORTED RF-4C CRASH ABOUT SIX KILOMETERS OFF THE COAST. THE BODY, THEREFORE, WAS PRESUMED TO BE THAT OF THE PILOT. THE BODY WAS PHOTOGRAPHED FOUR TIMES BEFORE BURIAL ON A SAND MOUND ABOUT 60 METERS FROM THE SEA, ONE KILOMETER SOUTH OF A CREEK, SEVEN KILOMETERS EAST OF ROUTE ONE AND ABOUT 10 KILOMETERS NORTH OF DONG HOI AIRFIELD. THE MOUND OF SAND WAS PLANTED WITH SEA PINES.

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