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DIST: 16 JULY 1987

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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MAI: DEATH OF ALLEGED U.S. AIRMEN WHEN THEIR  
AIRCRAFT EXPLODED AT PHAN DUNG HAMLET, ANH DUNG  
VILLAGE, DO SON DISTRICT, HAIPHONG MUNICIPALITY, IN  
AUTUMN 1969

DOI: AUTUMN 1969-EARLY 1985

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. ABOUT 1500 HOURS ONE DAY IN AUTUMN 1969, POSSIBLY OCTOBER,  
AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRCRAFT, TYPE NOT KNOWN, CRASHED AND EXPLODED ABOUT  
50 METERS IN FRONT OF THE WAR HEROES GRAVEYARD (XJ 769004) IN PHAN  
DUNG HAMLET (XJ773006), ANH DUNG VILLAGE, DO SON DISTRICT, HAIPHONG  
MUNICIPALITY. THE CREW WERE ASSUMED DEAD, ALTHOUGH NO REMAINS WERE  
FOUND.

2. IN EARLY SPRING 1985 A STRANGER, ALLEGEDLY FROM HANOI,  
HIRED FIVE OR SIX LOCAL PEOPLE TO DIG AT THE CRASH SITE FOR AIRCRAFT  
IDENTIFICATION AND/OR REMAINS OF THE CREW. THE LOCAL WORKERS WERE  
WELL PAID. AFTER THREE DAYS THE WORKERS WERE ARRESTED BY THE PUBLIC  
SECURITY FORCE AND TAKEN TO DO SON DISTRICT OFFICE. THEY WERE LATER  
RELEASED, BECAUSE THEY DID NOT KNOW THE STRANGERS'S IDENTITY.  
NOTHING WAS FOUND AT THE CRASH SITE, AND AS OF EARLY 1987, THE HOLE  
HAD BEEN REFILLED AND RICE PLANTED IN THE HOLE.

3. COMMENT: CLAIMED HE SAW THE CRASH  
FOLLOWED BY THE EXPLOSION. HE WENT TO THE SCENE TO RECOVER PIECES OF  
THE AIRCRAFT. HE SAID THAT  
KNEW THE VILLAGERS WHO  
WERE HIRED TO DIG AT THE CRASH SITE IN EARLY 1985. HE LEARNED ABOUT  
THE DIGGING INCIDENT

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