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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: CRASH OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRCRAFT OFF THE
COAST OF HAI LINH VILLAGE, TINH GIA DISTRICT, THANH
HON PROVINCE, IN LATE JANUARY/MID-FEBRUARY 1967;
PRESUMED DEATH OF AIRMAN IN THE PLANE

DOI: LATE JANUARY/MID-FEBRUARY 1967

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. LATE ONE AFTERNOON ONE DAY IN LATE JANUARY/MID-FEBRUARY 1967, AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRCRAFT WAS DOWNED BY THE FIFTH BATTALION OF THE 256TH REGIMENT LOCATED AT THE GHEP FERRY (WG 8467), HAI LINH VILLAGE, TINH GIA DISTRICT, THANH HON PROVINCE. IT WAS ON FIRE AND CRASHED IN THE SEA IN THE VICINITY OF (WG 9555) BETWEEN THE GHEP FERRY AND HON ME ISLAND (WG 9843). NO AIRMAN WAS SEEN BAILING OUT; HE WAS PRESUMED DEAD IN THE AIRCRAFT. THE NEXT DAY, THE LOCAL MILITIA COMBED THE AREA AND PICKED UP A FLOATING FUEL TANK. THE AIRCRAFT CAME FROM THE SOUTH AND WAS ALONG THE COAST WHEN IT WAS DOWNED. THE TYPE OF AIRCRAFT WAS NOT KNOWN.

2. COMMENT:

HE WITNESSED THE DOWNING OF THE AIRCRAFT.)

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