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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: BURIAL OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN IN THE HAI YEN AREA, HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, NGHE TINH PROVINCE, ABOUT EARLY AUTUMN 1968

DOI: ABOUT EARLY AUTUMN 1968

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. IN A LATE AFTERNOON ABOUT EARLY AUTUMN 1968, AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRCRAFT, SAID TO BE AN A-4, CRASHED IN THE VICINITY OF HAI YEN (WF 8074), HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, NGHE TINH PROVINCE. AN AIRMAN DIED IN THE CRASH. HE WAS A CAUCASIAN WITH A RED COMPLEXION, ABOUT 1.80 METERS TALL, IN HIS MID-30'S, BEARDED AND WORE A CROSS. HE WAS MOUNDED IN THE CHEST. HE WAS BURIED AT THE NORTHERN END OF A SAND MOUND EAST OF THE LOCAL SEA PRODUCTS OFFICE BY THE BEACH. HIS PLANE REPORTEDLY ATTACKED ROUTE ONE AND WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE FROM THE DONG LOC ROAD JUNCTION (WF 8042). AS OF 1983, THE GRAVE WAS STILL AT HAI YEN.

2. COMMENT:

HE SAID THAT A MILITIAMAN WHO HELPED BURY THE AIRMAN WAS THE SON OF (FNU) ((LONG)) WHO RESIDED IN THE AREA. IN 1983, WHEN HE RETURNED TO VINH CITY, HE HEARD THAT THE GRAVE WAS STILL AT HAI YEN, ALTHOUGH IT HAD BEEN LEVELED.)

3. COMMENT:

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