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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: CAPTURE OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN SOUTH OF TRAI VINH, LE NINH DISTRICT, QUANG BINH (NOW BINH TRI THIEN) PROVINCE, IN LATE SUMMER 1967

DOI: LATE SUMMER 1967

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. IN LATE SUMMER 1967, AN ALLEGED CAUCASIAN U.S. AIRMAN PARACHUTED DOWN AND WAS CAPTURED ABOUT 16 KILOMETERS (KM) WEST OF THE THO DON (LOCALLY CALLED BA DON) ROAD JUNCTION (XE 5536) AND 2.5 KM NORTH OF AN UNNAMED STRATEGIC ROUTE IN LE NINH DISTRICT, QUANG BINH (NOW PART OF BINH TRI THIEN) PROVINCE. HE WAS ABOUT 1.80 METERS TALL, BIG, IN HIS MID-20'S AND CLAIMED TO BE A COMPANY GRADE OFFICER. HE WAS HELD IN THE RICE STORAGE FACILITY OF THE 328TH DIVISION REAR SERVICES UNIT FOUR DAYS UNTIL HE WAS TO BE TAKEN TO THE QUANG BINH PROVINCIAL MILITARY UNIT (PMU) AT CON (XE 6927), DONG HOI, QUANG BINH. HOWEVER, WHEN HIS ESCORT MET A PMU CONVOY AT LY HOA BRIDGE (XE 6251), THE AIRMAN WAS TURNED OVER TO THE CONVOY AND TAKEN TO HANOI IMMEDIATELY. HIS AIRCRAFT WAS BELIEVED TO BE AN A-6A THAT ATTACKED A CONVOY OF THE 559TH GROUP AT THE RANH FERRY (XE 5757) WITH OTHER AIRCRAFT IN MANY WAVES FROM 1030 TO 1300 HOURS. IT WAS DOWNED BY THE 214TH REGIMENT.

2. COMMENT:

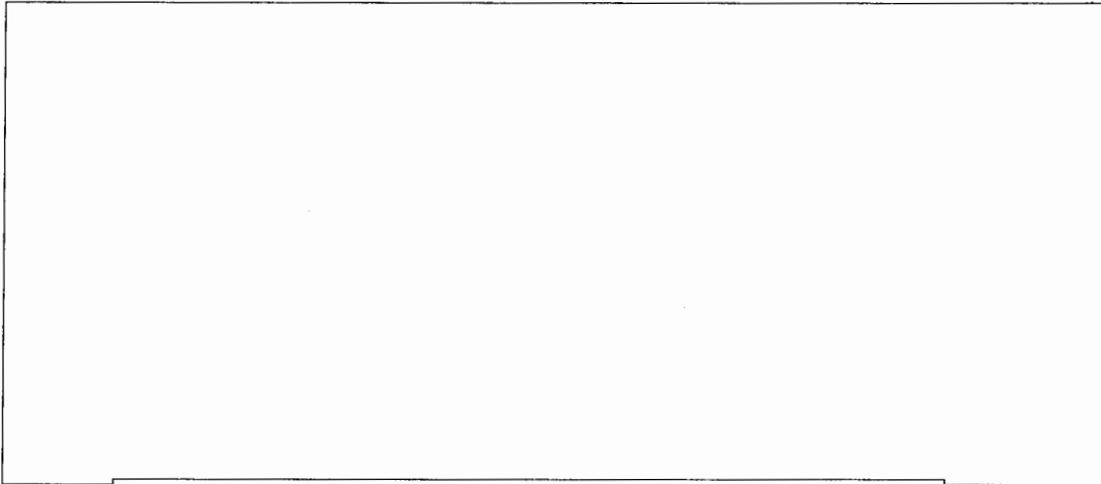
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DURING ONE OF HIS MISSIONS IN QUANG BINH.)



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