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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POM/MIA: CAPTURE OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN AT HUNG  
DUNG, HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, VINH CITY, NGHỆ TINH  
PROVINCE, IN LATE MAY 1965

DOI: LATE MAY 1965

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. AT ABOUT 1000 HOURS IN LATE MAY 1965, A VERY SUNTANNED  
CAUCASIAN U.S. AIRMAN PARACHUTED DOWN AND LANDED NEAR THE EASTERN END  
OF HUNG DUNG VILLAGE (WF 7464), HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, ABOUT 1.7  
KILOMETERS EAST OF VINH CITY IN NGHỆ TINH PROVINCE. HE WAS A SECOND  
LIEUTENANT, ABOUT 1.9 METERS TALL, 28 YEARS OLD, HAD BROWN HAIR AND  
WAS SMOOTH SHAVEN. HE CARRIED A DIARY AND A PICTURE OF HIS WIFE AND  
HIS PARENTS. HE SAID HE DID NOT YET HAVE ANY CHILDREN. HE WAS IN  
GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION. AFTER ABOUT HALF AN HOUR OF PRELIMINARY  
INTERROGATION WHERE HE WAS CAPTURED, HE WAS DRIVEN TO THE MUNICIPAL  
MILITARY UNIT OF VINH CITY AND TURNED OVER TO THE UNIT COMMANDER,  
CAPTAIN LE ((MIA)), BORN ABOUT 1923.

2. THE AIRMAN'S AIRCRAFT WAS DOWNED BY THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT  
ARTILLERY OF THE NGUYEN VIET XUAN BATTALION LOCATED AT THE FOOT OF  
HUI QUYET HILL (WF 7461). THE PLANE CAUGHT FIRE AND CRASHED BETWEEN  
HUNG DUNG AND HUNG THUY VILLAGE, ABOUT 800 METERS EAST OF VINH.  
ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL AIR OBSERVATION UNIT, HIS A-40 PLANE CAME IN  
FROM THE SEA WITH TWO SIMILAR AIRCRAFT VIA THE MOUTH OF THE CIA SOT  
RIVER (WF 9840). IT BOMBED ROUTE ONE AND THE BEN THUY FERRY (WF  
7661) BEFORE BEING SHOT DOWN.

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SAID HE COULD NOT REMEMBER THE  
NAME OF THE DOWNED AIRMAN BECAUSE THERE WERE TOO MANY. THE INCIDENT  
HAPPENED LONG AGO, AND THE NAMES WERE IN ENGLISH.)

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4. COMMENT: [REDACTED]

ACQ: [REDACTED] (LATE AUGUST 1987): [REDACTED]

DISSEN: [REDACTED] NONE.

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