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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: TWO ACCOUNTS OF THE CAPTURE OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN AT GIA DUC (NOW MINH DUC) VILLAGE, THUY NGUYEN DISTRICT, HAI PHONG MUNICIPALITY, CIRCA JUNE/JULY 1972

DOI: JUNE/JULY 1972

SOURCE:

TEXT- 1 SOURCE OF PARAGRAPH 2:

WHO SAW THE AIRCRAFT HIT, THE PARACHUTE DESCEND AND WAS LATER TOLD ABOUT THE AIRMAN'S CAPTURE BY NEIGHBORS.

2. ONE EARLY-AFTERNOON IN JUNE OR JULY 1972, TWO ALLEGED F-4 AIRCRAFT CAME FROM THE EAST AND CIRCLED OVER SOUTHERN QUANG BINH PROVINCE AND NORTHERN THUY NGUYEN DISTRICT, HAI PHONG. ONE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT, PROBABLY BY A MISSILE. ONE AIRMAN PARACHUTED OUT IN A RED AND WHITE PARACHUTE AND LANDED AT GIA DUC (NOW MINH DUC) VILLAGE (XJ 8412), THUY NGUYEN DISTRICT, HAI PHONG. HE REPORTEDLY FAINTED BUT WAS NOT WOUNDED. HE WAS CAPTURED BY THE LOCAL MILITIA AND LATER TAKEN TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION BY HAI PHONG CITY PUBLIC SECURITY CADRE. HIS PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION WAS NOT KNOWN.

3. COMMENT: CLAIMED HE WAS AT PHA LE (XJ 825120), SAW THE TWO AIRCRAFT CIRCLE, THE TAIL OF ONE OF THEM CATCH FIRE AND CRASH NORTHWARD WHILE A RED AND WHITE PARACHUTE DESCENDED OVER MINH DUC VILLAGE ABOUT EIGHT KILOMETERS (KMS) TO THE NORTH. HE DID NOT GO TO THE CRASH SITE. HIS NEIGHBORS, LATER TOLD HIM ABOUT THE CAPTURE OF THE AIRMAN.)

4 COMMENT:

WHO SAW THE AIRCRAFT HIT; THE PARACHUTE DESCEND AND WAS LATER TOLD ABOUT THE AIRMAN'S CAPTURE BY ADULTS WHO REPORTEDLY WITNESSED IT.

6. ABOUT 1600 HOURS CIRCA LATE JUNE 1972 TWO ALLEGED F-4 AIRCRAFT REPORTEDLY CAME FROM A SOUTHERN DIRECTION. ONE PLANE WAS HIT BY A MISSILE AND CRASHED TOWARD THE SEA. AN AIRMAN PARACHUTED OUT IN A RED PARACHUTE AND LANDED AT GIA DUC (NOW MINH DUC) VILLAGE, THUY NGUYEN. HE WAS REPORTEDLY CAPTURED BY THE LOCAL MILITIA AND LATER TAKEN TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION IN A SMALL VEHICLE OR COMMAND CAR.

COMMENT: CLAIMED HE WITNESSED THE INCIDENT IN THE FIFTH LUNAR MONTH FROM A DISTANCE OF ABOUT FOUR KMS. HE DID NOT VISIT THE SCENE BECAUSE HE WAS STILL A CHILD. HE WAS LATER TOLD OF THE AIRMAN'S CAPTURE BY ADULTS WHO REPORTEDLY WITNESSED IT.)

COMMENT:

ACQ: (LATE DECEMBER 1987).

DISSEM: FIELD: NONE.

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