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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: CAPTURE OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN AT TRACH LO VILLAGE, NINH GIANG TOWN, AND ANOTHER AT TAY KY VILLAGE, TU KY DISTRICT, BOTH IN HAI HUNG PROVINCE, ABOUT APRIL OR MAY 1967

DOI: APRIL-MAY 1967

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. AROUND 1000 HOURS ONE DAY IN APRIL OR MAY 1967, ALLEGEDLY A TALL U.S. AIRMAN PARACHUTED INTO A RICE FIELD AT THON RUA, TRACH LO VILLAGE (XH 4893), NINH GIANG TOWN, HAI HUNG PROVINCE. HE WAS IMMEDIATELY CAPTURED BY THE LOCAL MILITIA. WHEN A CAR ARRIVED TO TAKE HIM TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION, HE STILL HAD HIS FLIGHT SUIT ON. HE WAS ABOUT 1.80 METERS TALL AND OF MEDIUM BUILD. HE LIMPED WHEN HE WALKED. OTHER PHYSICAL FEATURES COULD NOT BE RECALLED.

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2. ABOUT THE SAME TIME, ALLEGEDLY ANOTHER U.S. AIRMAN WAS CAPTURED BY THE LOCAL MILITIA OF TAY KY VILLAGE (XH 4897), TU KY DISTRICT, HAI HUNG PROVINCE. HE WAS ALSO REPORTEDLY IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION. HE WAS TAKEN TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION THAT AFTERNOON. HIS PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION WAS NOT KNOWN.

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3. TWO AIRCRAFT, BELIEVED TO BE F-105'S AND FLOWN BY THE AIRMEN, WERE DOWNED BY MISSILES ABOUT 30 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF HAI DUONG TOWN (XJ 3816), HAI HUNG. THEY CRASHED AT THON RUA HAMLET, TRACH LO VILLAGE, ABOUT THREE KILOMETERS EAST OF NINH GIANG TOWN. THEIR CRASH SITES WERE ABOUT ONE KILOMETER FROM ONE ANOTHER AND ABOUT TWO KILOMETERS FROM THE FIRST AIRMAN'S LANDING SITE.

4. COMMENT: [] CLAIMED HE WAS IN SCHOOL THE MORNING OF THE FIRST INCIDENT. THE DAY BEFORE SCHOOL SUMMER VACATION. HE RAN OUT TO SEE THE CAPTURE OF THE FIRST AIRMAN. HE LATER PICKED UP PARTS FROM THIS AIRCRAFT. HE COULD NOT RECALL THE AIRMAN'S PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION BECAUSE HE WAS TOO YOUNG AND IT HAPPENED LONG AGO. HE ONLY LEARNED OF THE CAPTURE OF THE SECOND AIRMAN.)

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