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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: BURIAL OF THE REMAINS OF AN ALLEGED U.S.  
AIRMAN AT THE OLD MARKET PLACE BETWEEN HUNG DUNG AND  
HUNG THUY VILLAGES, HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, NGHE TINH  
PROVINCE, IN MID-APRIL 1968

DOI: MID-APRIL 1968-EARLY 1984

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. AROUND 1700 HOURS ONE DAY IN MID-APRIL 1968 AN F-4H  
CRASHED AND EXPLODED BETWEEN HUNG THUY AND HUNG DUNG VILLAGES  
(APPROXIMATED COORDINATES WF 7463), HUNG NGUYEN DISTRICT, NGHE TINH  
PROVINCE. THE AIRMAN'S REMAINS, ONLY THE LEFT ARM OF WHICH WAS  
WHOLE, WERE PUT IN A PLASTIC BAG AND BURIED AT THE NORTHEASTERN END  
OF THE LOCAL CEMETERY THAT IS EAST OF A BUDDHIST TEMPLE. THE  
CEMETERY IS CALLED "BAI CHO CU" (OLD MARKET PLACE) BECAUSE PEOPLE  
USED TO GATHER AT ITS WESTERN SIDE TO TRADE. THE BURIAL TEAM  
INCLUDED (FNU) ((NGA)), BORN 1945; CAO THI ((PHUONG)), BORN 1940; AND  
CAO THI ((QUE)), BORN 1947. ALL WERE FEMALE AND LIVED IN HUNG THUY  
VILLAGE. AS OF EARLY 1984, THE GRAVE WAS STILL THERE. THE AIRCRAFT  
WAS REPORTEDLY DOWNED BY THE FIFTH BATTALION OF THE 233RD REGIMENT  
LOCATED AT AN HONG VILLAGE, AT THE FOOT OF HONG LINH HILL (WF 7758).

2. COMMENT:

HE SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING  
THAT THE F-4H HAD ONLY ONE SEAT WHILE THE RF-4H HAD TWO SEATS. NO  
FILE WAS KEPT ON THE CASE. IN EARLY

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THAT THE GRAVE WAS STILL THERE.)

ACQ: [REDACTED]

DISSEM: FIELD: NONE.

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