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SUBJ: POW/MIA: BURIAL OF AN ALLEGED U.S. AIRMAN AT TUC
TRANH, PHU LUONG DISTRICT, BAC THAI PROVINCE, ABOUT
SEPTEMBER 1968

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SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. ONE DAY ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1968 AN ALLEGED U.S. F-105 WAS HIT BY A MISSILE UNIT AT THAI NGUYEN (WJ 8888) AND CRASHED IN THE FOREST OF BIG TREES AND BAMBOO AT TUC TRANH VILLAGE (WK 7801), PHU LUONG DISTRICT, BAC THAI PROVINCE. AN AIRMAN WAS BURNED BEYOND RECOGNITION IN THE AIRCRAFT. THE LOCAL PEOPLE BURIED HIM ON THE SPOT. THE GRAVESITE WAS BETWEEN THE FOUR VILLAGES OF TUC TRANH, VO TRANH (WJ 8197), DONG DAT (WK 7402) AND PHAN ME (WJ 7897) IN NORTHEASTERN BAC THAI PROVINCE, ABOUT 2.50 KILOMETERS EAST OF ROUTE THREE.

2. COMMENT: [] CLAIMED HE HAD TAKEN STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL OF LIGHT INDUSTRY INTO THE JUNGLE TO CUT BAMBOO WHEN HE SAW THE F-105 CRASH. HE COULD NOT COME NEAR THE CRASH SITE BECAUSE THE LOCAL PEOPLE IMMEDIATELY SURROUNDED IT. THREE DAYS LATER HE RETURNED TO THE SITE. THE AIRCRAFT WAS STILL THERE; THE LOCAL PEOPLE SAID THE AIRMAN HAD BEEN BURIED ON THE SPOT.)

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