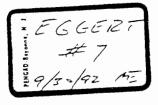
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16 June 1992

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Analysis of Surface Markings

at Sam Neua, Laos (C)

REFERENCE:

Letter to D/OCA, Same Subject, dtd June 3, 1992

In Januar 1988,

1. Several
unusual markings—the letters "USA" and what resembled a US Air
Force escape and evasion symbol known as a "Walking Kilo"—on the
ground west of Sam Neua, Laos. We are uncertain as to who may
have made those markings, but recently completed analysis gives
us a better understanding of how the markings were made, how long
the markings may have been present, and what activity may have
been going on concurrently in the surrounding region.

We obtained early 1967 and mid—1968 in from this on the Sam News as

enabled us to more confidently determine that there was a relative age difference between the USA letters and the possible Walking Kilo. It also enabled us to make an assessment as to the method used to create the markings. Our analysis suggests the following:

• The USA letters were newer by an undetermined period of time (but not more than a few months) than the possible Walking Kilo.