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0424//

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AMPN/RETRANSMISSION OF FIELD INVESTIGATION REPORT: CASE 0424//
 RMKS/1. ON 26 AND 27 OCT 92, A JOINT U.S./VIETNAM TEAM
 CONDUCTED AN INVESTIGATION OF REFNO 0424 NEAR PHOUC VINH VILLAGE,
 DDNG PHU DISTRICT, SONG BE PROVINCE, VIETNAM. THE TEAM SURVEYED
 AN ALLEGED F-4C AIRCRAFT CRASH SITE AT GRID COORDINATES
 48PYT081468.

2. THE FOLLOWING IS A PARTIAL LIST OF THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE
 ALLEGEDLY RELATED TO REFNO 0424 WHICH WAS PRESENTED TO THE TEAM
 WHILE AT DONG PHU DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS (SEE REF A, PARA 4A, FOR
 COMPLETE LIST):

- ONE PIECE OF STAINLESS STEEL TUBING, TUBING IS BRAIDED WITH WIRE AND HAS ONE CLAMP AND CONNECTOR. THE CLAMP CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS:
 - R466C0052A260L
 - 78570
 - H136162B005 260
 - PT
- ONE PIECE OF FLAT STAINLESS STEEL WITH THE FOLLOWING MARKINGS:
 - JANITROL
 - TORQUE TO 35 IN LBS

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- R29C43
- TWO SIMILAR PIECES OF STAINLESS STEEL WITH THE FOLLOWING MARKINGS:

- GE332C833G3
 - 75440
 - UC498
- GE332C836G3
 - 75440
 - UC42

3. THE FOLLOWING IS A PARTIAL LIST OF MATERIAL EVIDENCE THE TEAM
 PHOTOGRAPHED AT THE ALLEGED CRASHSITE OF REFNO 0424: (NOTE:
 QUESTION MARKS INDICATE ILLEGIBLE ALPHA-NUMERIC CHARACTERS)

- ONE STAINLESS STEEL OBJECT CONTAINING PARTIAL NUMBER
 GE??????7G3.
- ONE LARGE STAINLESS STEEL CLAMP WITH THE FOLLOWING MARKINGS:
 - MS 27114-18R
 - HARMAN DIV.
 - AEROQUIP CORP.
 - 57464-488R
 - -65 DEGREES F TO ?? DEGREES F

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-- TORQUE 110 LB. IN.

- ONE PIECE OF PARACHUTE OPENING BAND.

- ONE SMALL LENGTH OF BRAIDED CABLE WITH CLAMP. CLAMP HAS THE FOLLOWING MARKINGS:

-- RESISTOFLEX

-- CYR 5800N-4

-- FEB 63 PT

4. JTF-FA ANALYSIS INDICATES THE STAINLESS STEEL PIECES AND CLAMPS LISTED ABOVE ARE PARTS OF A GENERAL ELECTRIC J-79 SERIES AIRCRAFT ENGINE. SEVERAL VIETNAM ERA AIRCRAFT USED THIS TYPE OF ENGINE, INCLUDING F-4 SERIES AIRCRAFT. THE PARACHUTE OPENING BAND IS CONSISTENT WITH THE TYPE OF PARACHUTE INSTALLED IN F-4 AIRCRAFT EJECTION SEATS.

5. JTF-FA COMMENTS: JTF-FA RECORDS INDICATE REFNO 0424 IS THE ONLY AIRCRAFT USING J-79GE SERIES ENGINES WHICH CRASHED WITHIN 20 KILOMETERS OF GRID COORDINATES 48PYT0814685. THE PIECE OF PARACHUTE OPENING BAND FOUND AT THE CRASH SITE INDICATES THAT AT LEAST ONE CREWMEMBER FAILED TO EJECT FROM THE AIRCRAFT PRIOR TO IMPACT. THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE CORRELATES TO REFNO 0424.

6. FOR AFMPC/DPMC8: THIS INFORMATION MAY BE RELEASED TO THE

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NEXT OF KIN OF CAPTAIN CHARLES M. WALLING AND LIEUTENENT AADO KOMMENDANT, REFNO 0424. A COPY OF REF A WAS PROVIDED FOR RELEASE ON 29 JAN 93.

7. EVAL/DLC//

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