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AMPN/DETAILED REPORT OF INVESTIGATION/SURVEY: CASE 1719//

RMKS/1. ON 22 - 30 AUG 92, A JOINT US/LAO TEAM CONDUCTED A INVESTIGATION/SURVEY OF A CRASH SITE AT GRID COORDINATES XD64263770 IN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE, LAOS.

2. THE TEAM RECOVERED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FROM THE CRASH SITE:

- ONE ELECTRONIC COMPONENT WITH SEVERAL TRANSISTORS AND RESISTORS
- ONE PIECE OF RUBBER, ROUNDED NUMBERED 114P3134-1
- ONE PIECE OF RIGID MULTI-LAYER FIBERGLASS
- SEVERAL PIECES OF UNIDENTIFIED MATERIAL WITH RIGID ALUMINUM ATTACHED
- ONE PIECE OF CONE SHAPED CERAMIC
- SEVERAL PIECES OF CERAMIC ARMOR PLATING
- FOUR PIECES OF HEAVY CANVAS STRAP
- ONE PIECE OF AMMUNITION LINKAGE, CALIBER UNKNOWN
- SEVERAL U/I NUTS AND BOLTS

3. JTF-FA ANALYSIS INDICATES: THE RECOVERED ITEM WITH THE NUMBER 114P3134-1 IS A FARING, USED ON A CONNECTING LINK, AFT ROTARY WING HEAD CONTROL, ON THE AIRCRAFT CH-47 A, B, AND C MODELS. THE FOUR PIECES OF HEAVY CANVAS STRAPS ARE CARGO NETTING

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MOST COMMONLY USED ON CARGO TYPE AIRCRAFT. THE ARMOR PLATING WAS WIDELY USED IN MOST AIRCRAFT OF THE PERIOD. THE REMAINING ITEMS COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED.

4. JTF-FA COMMENTS: THE ITEMS RECOVERED AT THIS CRASH SITE CORRELATE TO AN CH-47, BUT CANNOT BE POSITIVELY ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 1719. IT MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH A KNOWN OPERATIONAL LOSS WHICH OCCURRED IN THE SAME AREA. ON 14 MAR 93, A JOINT TEAM REINVESTIGATED THIS SITE AND FOUND A SECOND CRASH SITE APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS AWAY. BASED ON PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THIS REINVESTIGATION, THE SECOND SITE MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 1719.

5. FOR CDRPERSCOM: THIS INFORMATION IS FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION. A COPY OF REF A WAS PROVIDED ON 3 MAY 93.

6. EVAL/DLC/RLD//

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