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E22:

3582 OCT 87

SUBJ: JCRC RPT T87-025B, PHOTO OF U.S. PILOT ON  
 - DISPLAY IN NGHE-TINH

REF: A. JCRC-BKK 280834Z JAN 87 (T87-025)  
 - B. CDR JCRC 031922Z APR 87  
 - C. JCRC-BKK 300757Z APR 87 (T87-025A)

1. REF A WAS INITIAL INTERVIEW OF <sup>SC</sup>  
<sup>SC</sup> WHO REPORTED SEEING A PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTING A  
 DECEASED U.S. PILOT POSTED ON THE WALL OF A BUILDING IN  
 BAN NONG HIE VILLAGE, NGHE TINH (FORMERLY NGHE AN)  
 PROVINCE. REF B WAS REQUEST FOR FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW OF  
 SAME SOURCE TO DETERMINE A MORE SPECIFIC DATA OF THE  
 DEATH OF THE PILOT. REF C WAS RESPONSE TO REF B  
 REQUEST.

2. SOURCE WAS REINTERVIEWED BY MR BELL IN <sup>DATA</sup>  
<sup>DATA</sup> CAMP ON 6 OCT 87. SOURCE STATED THAT HE DID NOT  
 KNOW OF ANY OTHER PERSONS WHO HAD OBSERVED THE  
 PHOTOGRAPH OR WRECKAGE AND HAD SUBSEQUENTLY DEPARTED  
 FROM LAOS. ADDITIONALLY SOURCE STATED THAT HE DID NOT  
 KNOW OF ANYONE WHO HAD VISITED OR RESIDED IN THE GENERAL

AREA OF THE CRASH SITE WHO HAD SUBSEQUENTLY DEPARTED FROM LAOS. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD NOT MET OR HEARD ABOUT ANY FORMER RESIDENTS OF THE AREA WHO HAD ARRIVED IN NONG SAENG CAMP BUT CONCEDED THAT FORMER RESIDENTS MIGHT BE RESIDING IN OTHER REFUGEE CAMPS IN THAILAND.

3. SOURCE WAS ASKED TO TRY AND REMEMBER AS MANY DETAILS AS POSSIBLE CONCERNING THE PHOTOGRAPH OF THE DECEASED PILOT HE SAW. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO RECALL FURTHER DETAILS INCLUDING WHICH LEG OF THE PILOT HAD BEEN TWISTED AS IF BROKEN. SOURCE DID EXPRESS THE OPINION HOWEVER, THAT BASED ON HIS OBSERVATION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH HE BELIEVED THAT THE PILOT HAD BEEN KILLED DUE TO GUNSHOT WOUNDS RATHER THAN INJURIES RESULTING FROM A CRASH. SOURCE EXPLAINED HIS BELIEF BY STATING THAT THE UNIFORM OF THE PILOT HAD A SERIES OF SLOTTES OF BLOOD DOWN THE FRONT AND THAT THOSE SLOTTES APPEARED TO HIM TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY BULLET WOUNDS. SOURCE RECALLED THAT THE BODY HAD NOT BEEN BURNED. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION BECAUSE THE PHOTO WAS BLACK AND WHITE WHICH MADE IT DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE HAIR COLOR, COMPLEXION, ETC.

4. CONCERNING THE TYPE OF THE AIRCRAFT SOURCE STATED THAT HE WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH AIRCRAFT TYPES AND THAT HE HAD IDENTIFIED THE AIRCRAFT AS A JET ONLY BECAUSE BOONMA HAD TOLD HIM IT WAS A JET AND BECAUSE HE HAD NOT SEEN ANY PROPELLER IN THE WRECKAGE.

5. CONCERNING THE TIME OF THE SHOOTDOWN SOURCE VAGUELY RECALLED HEARING FROM BOONMA THAT THE CRASH HAD OCCURRED DURING 1972 OR 1973 BUT WAS NOT CERTAIN. SOURCE STATED THAT HE RECALLED THAT THE "FIGHTING TO REDEEM HONOR PERIOD (KAN LOP KU KIET) HAD OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD 1969 TO 1973. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO BE MORE SPECIFIC CONCERNING THE TIME FRAME.

6. CONCERNING THE LOCATION OF THE CRASH SOURCE RECALLED THAT THE CRASH SITE WAS LOCATED APPROX 500 METERS NORTH OF HIGHWAY 7 AND APPROX TWO KILOMETERS FROM NONG HIE VILLAGE. SOURCE ADDED THAT HE WAS NOT CERTAIN AS TO THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE CRASH SITE AND THE ROAD BUT WAS SURE THAT THE WRECKAGE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 1000 METERS FROM THE ROAD. SOURCE FELT THAT HIS ESTIMATE OF 500 METERS FROM THE ROAD WAS VERY CLOSE TO THE ACTUAL DISTANCE. SOURCE STATED THAT ACCORDING TO BOONMA THE BODY OF THE PILOT WAS BURIED NEAR THE CRASH SITE AND SOURCE DENIED HAVING SAID IN A PREVIOUS INTERVIEW THAT THE PILOT WAS BURIED TWO KILOMETERS FROM THE CRASH SITE. SOURCE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD MEANT TO SAY THAT THE PILOT PARACHUTED FROM THE AIRCRAFT WHEN IT CRASHED APPROX TWO KILOMETERS FROM NONG HIE VILLAGE.

7. CONCERNING THE RANK INSIGNIA OF THE PILOT DISPLAYED ON THE WALL OF THE BUILDING, SOURCE RECALLED

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EZ2:

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SUBJ: JCRC RPT T87-025B, PHOTO OF U.S. PILOT ON  
 THAT THERE WERE TWO TYPES OF INSIGNIA. ONE WAS YELLOW  
 OR GOLD IN COLOR BUT SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO RECALL THE  
 SHAPE. SOURCE RECALLED THAT A SECOND PIECE OF INSIGNIA  
 WAS SILVER COLORED AND SOURCE ATTEMPTED TO DRAW A SKETCH  
 OF THIS INSIGNIA. THE CRUDE DRAWING DONE BY SOURCE  
 RESEMBLES THE CANOPY OF A PARACHUTE OR THE CENTER OF A  
 U.S. ISSUE TYPE NOVICE PARACHUTIST BADGE (NO WINGS ON  
 THE SIDES). WHEN SHOWN SKETCHES OF U.S. RANK INSIGNIA  
 SOURCE SELECTED THE RANK OF U.S. MAJ OR LTC AS MORE  
 CLOSELY RESEMBLING THE SHAPE OF THE INSIGNIA HE SAW.  
 SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE A SKETCH OF THE "YELLOW  
 OR GOLD" COLORED INSIGNIA THAT HE SAW DISPLAYED ON THE  
 WALL. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE ONLY GLANCED AT THE  
 INSIGNIA VERY BRIEFLY AND THAT DUE TO THE TIME LAPSE HE  
 COULD NOT REMEMBER ANY FURTHER DETAILS.

8. SOURCE PROMISED THAT HE WOULD NOTIFY THE JCRC  
 LIAISON OFFICE IF HE MEETS OR HEARS ABOUT ANYONE ELSE  
 FROM THE AREA WHO ENTERS DT. SOURCE WAS ABLE TO  
 PROVIDE A ROUGH SKETCH OF THE INCIDENT AREA WHICH WILL

BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY ALONG WITH HIS DRAWING OF THE SILVER COLORED INSIGNIA HE SAW DISPLAYED ON THE WALL.

9. COMMENT: SOURCE PROVIDED HIS INFORMATION IN A STRAIGHTFORWARD MANNER AND MADE NO REQUESTS FOR REWARDS OR ASSISTANCE. SOURCE WAS COOPERATIVE BUT HIS ABILITY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WAS LIMITED DUE TO THE TIME LAPSE AND THE HEARSAY NATURE OF MUCH OF HIS ACCOUNT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH FOR OTHER SOURCES WHO HAVE ARRIVED IN DT FROM THIS AREA.

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