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AMPN/SUBJ: SIDE DISCUSSIONS DURING 6 MAR 91 REPATRIATION//

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RMKS/1. REF A REPORTED SIDE DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED DURING THE 6 MARCH REPATRIATION BETWEEN THE VNOSMP OFFICIALS AND U.S. PERSONNEL. PARA 6 OF REF A REPORTED THAT ON 26 JUNE 1966 AN AD-6 (A-1) AIRCRAFT CRASHED IN THE VICINITY OF THANH GIANG VILLAGE, THANH CHUONG DISTRICT, NGHE TINH PROVINCE. REPORTING OFFICERS NOTE IN PARAGRAPH 6 TENTATIVELY CORRELATED THIS INFORMATION WITH REFNO 0375.

2. ALTHOUGH THE REFNO 0375 INCIDENT OCCURRED ON THE DATE REPORTED BY THE VNOSMP, 27 JUNE 1966, THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE VNOSMP DOES NOT CORRELATE WITH THIS INCIDENT. THE REFNO 0375 INCIDENT OCCURRED IN THANH HOA PROVINCE, APPROXIMATELY 100 KILOMETERS NORTH NORTHEAST OF THANH CHUONG DISTRICT, NGHE TINH PROVINCE. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FLIGHT MADE NUMEROUS PASSES OVER THE CRASH SITE AND WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE AN ACCURATE LOCATION FOR REFNO 0375. DOCUMENTATION ACCOMPANYING COMMANDER SMITH'S REMAINS WHICH THE SRV REPATRIATED IN DECEMBER 1988 STATED THE REMAINS HAD BEEN RECOVERED IN THANH HOA PROVINCE. THIS SUPPORTS THE JCRC LOSS LOCATION.

3. THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REF A, PARA 6 DOES NOT CORRELATE WITH ANY OF THE NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT LOSSES WHICH OCCURRED WITHIN DT

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KILOMETERS OF GRID COORDINATES WF3578, THANH CHUONG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. OF THESE LOSSES NONE OCCURRED DURING JUNE 1966 AND NONE INVOLVED AN A-1 OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF PROPELLER DRIVEN AIRCRAFT. THE SRV HAS REPATRIATED THE REMAINS OF ALL THE UNACCOUNTED FOR PILOTS LOST IN INCIDENTS OCCURRING PRIOR TO 1968 WITHIN 25 KILOMETERS OF THANH CHUONG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

4. REFNO 0788 IS THE ONLY A-1 LOSS IN NGHE TINH PROVINCE INVOLVING AN UNACCOUNTED FOR INDIVIDUAL; HOWEVER, THE LOSS LOCATION REPORTED IN REF A, PARA 6 DOES NOT CORRELATE WITH THIS INCIDENT. THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FLIGHT FIXED THE REFNO 0788 CRASH SITE LOCATION NEAR THE LAO BORDER APPROXIMATELY 120 KILOMETERS WEST OF THANH CHUONG DISTRICT.

5. WITHOUT FURTHER DETAILS, THE JCRC CANNOT CORRELATE THE INFORMATION IN PARA 6, REF A WITH ANY RESOLVED OR UNRESOLVED INCIDENT. DURING A SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATIVE TRIP IN THIS AREA, THE JOINT TEAM SHOULD SURVEY THE SITE AND INTERVIEW WITNESSES TO THE INCIDENT IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN ALL THE PERTINENT FACTS AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHICH AIRCRAFT LOSS THE VIETNAMESE HAVE REPORTED.//

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