

NARRATIVE

ON 21 MARCH 1968, FIRST LIEUTENANT PETER D. HESFORD AND FIRST LIEUTENANT AUBREY E. STOWERS WERE CREW MEMBERS OF AN F -4D AIRCRAFT IN A FLIGHT OF TWO AIRCRAFT. THE AIRCRAFT, SERIAL NUMBER 66-8767, WAS LAST SEEN ROLLING IN WHEN A LARGE EXPLOSION WAS SEEN ON THE SIDE OF A HILL IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XD160590, APPROXIMATELY 22 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF XEPON AND 400 METERS WEST OF ROUTE 91. THE OTHER PILOTS IN THE FLIGHT DID NOT SEE ANY PARACHUTES OR HEAR ANY BEEPER SIGNALS.

SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION INDICATES HESFORD AND STOWERS MAY HAVE SURVIVED THE INCIDENT. SOTH PHETLASY, UPON RECEIPT OF LETTERS FROM BOTH FAMILIES, REMARKED THAT HESFORD AND STOWERS WERE ON HIS PRISONER OF WAR LIST. THE FACTS OF THIS CASE SUGGEST MORE INFORMATION CAN BE GAINED CONCERNING THESE INDIVIDUALS.

PERTINENT DATA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NAME: HESFORD, PETER DEAN
RANK: FIRST LIEUTENANT, U.S. AIR FORCE
DATE OF BIRTH: 2 DECEMBER 1942
RACE: CAUCASIAN
HEIGHT: 1.85 METERS
WEIGHT: 77.0 KILOGRAMS
HAIR: BROWN
EYES: BLUE