

3. [REDACTED] SOURCE STATED THAT SOMETIME DURING JULY 1965 WHILE WORKING IN HON GAY TOWN, QUANG NINH PROVINCE, HE OBSERVED THE SHOOTDOWN AND CAPTURE OF ONE U.S. PILOT. SOURCE STATED THAT AT ABOUT 1300 HOURS ON THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT HE OBSERVED A FLIGHT OF FOUR U.S. JET AIRCRAFT FLYING FROM NORTH TO SOUTH OVER HON GAI TOWN. SOURCE RECALLED THAT THE LEAD AIRCRAFT IN THE FLIGHT WAS HIT BY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE COMING FROM A PAVN AA UNIT LOCATED NEAR THE HON GAY ELECTRIC POWER PLANT. SHORTLY AFTER THE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT IT CRASHED DOWN ON NUI CAO THONG MOUNTAIN (NOT SHOWN ON AVAILABLE MAPS BUT ACCORDING TO SOURCE IS LOCATED APPROX ONE KILOMETER NORTH OF HON GAY VIC YJ 1819).

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4. [REDACTED] JUST PRIOR TO THE CRASH OF THE AIRCRAFT, SOURCE SAW ONE CREWMEMBER EJECT AND DESCEND UNDER A FULLY DEPLOYED WHITE COLORED PARACHUTE NEAR THE BASE OF NUI CAO THONG MOUNTAIN IN THE DIRECTION OF HON GAY. SOURCE STATED THAT HE WENT TO WHERE THE PILOT HAD DESCENDED AND SAW A LARGE CROWD OF VILLAGERS GATHERED. SOURCE SAW FOUR VILLAGERS CARRYING THE PILOT ON A LITTER AND THAT THE PILOT HAD A SERIOUS WOUND IN HIS UPPER LEFT CHEST AREA. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE A COMPLETE PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PILOT AND COULD ONLY RECALL

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THAT HE WAS A BIG CAUCASIAN WEARING A LIGHT COLORED (POSSIBLY BLUE) PILOT'S UNIFORM. SOURCE SAW THE VILLAGERS CARRY THE PILOT AWAY IN THE DIRECTION OF HON GAY AND AFTER THEY DEPARTED, DID NOT SEE THE PILOT AGAIN.

5. [REDACTED] SOURCE LATER HEARD FROM VILLAGERS (COMMON RUMOR) THAT THE PILOT HAD BEEN TAKEN TO THE QUANG NINH PROVINCE HOSPITAL. SOURCE HEARD THAT MEDICAL PERSONNEL AT THE HOSPITAL HAD USED A LARGE SYRINGE TO GIVE THE PILOT AN INJECTION OF A PINK COLORED MEDICINE (DIDN'T HEAR WHAT TYPE) AND THAT ABOUT 30 MINUTES AFTER RECEIVING THE INJECTION THE PILOT DIED. SOURCE ALSO HEARD THAT THE DEAD PILOT HAD BEEN THE COMMANDER OF THE FLIGHT OF AIRCRAFT WHICH HAD ATTACKED HON GAY ON THE DAY OF THE INCIDENT. SOURCE DID NOT HEAR WHAT TYPE OF AIRCRAFT THE PILOT HAD BEEN FLYING. SOURCE DID NOT HEAR ABOUT THE DISPOSITION OF THE BODY. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE INCIDENT.

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