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FROM: JCRC-LNB  
TO: Commander, JCRC

REF: RPT #HK86-021  
9 April 1986

SUBJ: Crashsite and Two Bodies In [REDACTED] Binh

Source:

- a. Name: Ly Nhu Long
- b. DOB: 29 Aug 56
- c. POB: Uong Bi Town, Quang Ninh
- d. Former position: Welder
- e. Present location: Kaho, Macao
- f. Identification data: Boat M125
- g. DOI: 1964
- h. Map used: Sheet 6351-2; Series L7014
- i. Date of interview: 16 Mar 86
- j. Name of interviewer: Mr. G.E. Bell, GS-13 DOD
- k. Other: Arrived Macao 17 May 80

Source, a 30 YOA male VM refugee (ethnic Chinese), provided information concerning his alleged observation of aircraft wreckage and the burial of two dead pilots in Da Cong Hamlet (XJ 8428) Dong Tien Village, Quang Ninh.

Information:

Source stated that sometime during 1964 while residing in Thuong Cat Village near Uong Bi Town, Quang Ninh Province he observed the wreckage of a U.S. aircraft and the bodies of two pilots. Source stated that at the time he was at home and heard local villagers talking about a U.S. aircraft which had been shot down near Uong Bi Town located four kilometers from his home. Source stated that he, accompanied by several other villagers, went to look at the crashsite because they were curious.

Source stated that he followed the crowd east along highway 18 and turned north at a bridge over a stream which flowed hot water from the Uong Bi Power Plant (possibly bridge vic XJ 843267). Source went north along a dirt road for approx two kilometers to Da Cong Hamlet of Dong Tien Village (Source estimated location as vic XJ 840280). Source stated that when he arrived on the scene at around 1000 hours the wreckage of the aircraft was still smoldering. Source heard from local residents that the aircraft had crashed during the early morning hours. Source was not able to get near the wreckage because it was being guarded by members of the local militia forces.

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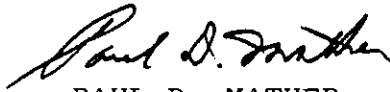
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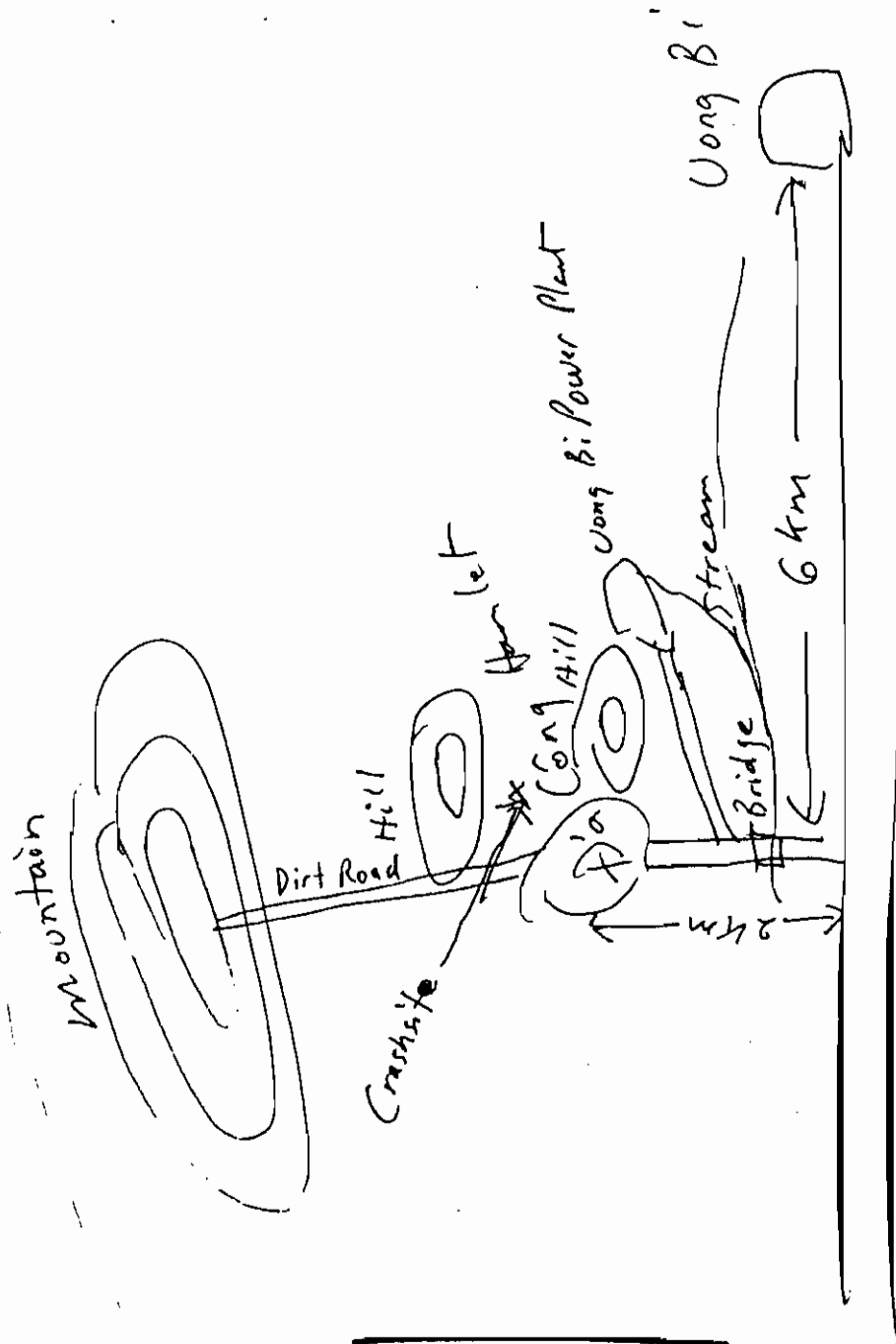
Source heard from locals that the aircraft had been enroute to bomb Uong Bi when it was hit by a missile. Source saw two badly burned bodies lying on the ground approx 20 meters from the wreckage. Shortly after his arrival at the scene Source saw the militia bury the two bodies in one common grave. Source recalled that the gravesite was located near the Truong Doan School of Dong Tien Village. Source did not observe any marker placed on the grave. Source did not observe or hear about any survivors of the incident. Source did not observe or hear about any personal effects. Source was not able to provide further information concerning the incident. Source did not observe or hear about any Americans remaining in Vietnam. Source's sketch is attached.



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Sketch

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Ly Nhu Long  
 Boat M125  
 Kaho Macao  
 Map 6351-2

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REFUGEE REPORT & PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

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SOURCE DATA: LY NHU LONG  
REFUGEE REPORT INTERVIEW NUMBER & DATE: ~~HK86-0219~~ April 1986  
ANALYST: MSGT R. L. JOHN  
CROSS REFERENCE(S): NONE.

CATEGORY DATA: Crash Site/First Hand Account

FINDINGS: Review of information provided by Source reveals a possible correlation to REFNO 0219.

CORRELATE DATA: REFNO 0219 - On 22 December 1965, Lieutenant John D. Prudhomme was flying an A4C attack bomber in a flight of four aircraft. The aircraft, serial number 149521, was hit by ground fire and crashed in the vicinity of grid coordinates XJ850284, approximately 2.5 kilometers northwest of Uong Bi, Quang Ninh Province, Vietnam. No parachute was sighted and no electronic beacon signals were heard. Lt Prudhomme is currently carried in the presumptive status of Dead, Body Not Recovered.

BACKGROUND/COMMENTS: Information provided by Source compares favorably with the circumstances surrounding the loss of Lt Prudhomme, with the exception of year and number of individuals involved. For this reason, only a possible correlation is made.

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Commander

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