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CITE: SECRET NOFORN 3376 JUN 85  
SUBJ: JCRC REPORT HK85-0367 CAPTURE OF U.S. PILOT IN QUANG NINH (U)

1. (C) SOURCE: NAME: VU VAN DUANG; DOB: 25 AUGUST 1940; POB: HON GAI, QUANG NINH; FORMER POSITION: LATHE OPERATOR; PRESENT LOCATION: HEI LING CHAU, HONG KONG; IDENTIFICATION DATA: I.D. #4178; DOI: 1970'S; MAP USED: SHEET 6451-3; SERIES L7014; DATE OF INTERVIEW: 4 JUN 85; NAME OF INTERVIEWER: MR. GARNETT E. BELL; OTHER: ARRIVED HONG KONG 16 AUG 84; BOAT LM 2051

2. (S/NF) SUMMARY: SOURCE, A 45 YOA MALE VN REFUGEE AND FORMER LATHE OPERATOR, PROVIDED INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED OBSERVATION OF ONE U.S. PILOT CAPTURED IN HOAN BO DISTRICT, QUANG NINH PROVINCE. END OF SUMMARY.

3. (S/NF) SOURCE STATED THAT SOMETIME DURING THE EARLY 1970'S (COULDN'T RECALL YEAR) ABOUT TWO MONTHS AFTER "TET" AT APPROX 1400 HOURS HE OBSERVED THE SHOOTDOWN OF A U.S. JET AIRCRAFT (TYPE UNKNOWN). SOURCE STATED THAT AT THE TIME HE HAD GONE TO AN AIR RAID SHELTER BECAUSE NUMEROUS (DIDN'T REMEMBER HOW MANY) U.S. AIRCRAFT WERE FLYING AROUND THE AREA THAT DAY. SOURCE FIRST SAW THE LONE AIRCRAFT THAT CRASHED AS IT WAS FLYING OVER HOANH BO DISTRICT IN THE DIRECTION OF HON GAI (GENERALLY NORTH TO SOUTH). AFTER THE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT, SOURCE SAW ONE PILOT EJECT AND DESCEND NEAR HOANH BO (D) TOWN (VIC YJ 1926) WHILE THE AIRCRAFT CONTINUED FLYING IN THE DIRECTION OF HON GAI. SOURCE SAW THAT THE PILOT WAS CAPTURED BY THE MILITIA

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FORCES ABOUT 15 MINUTES AFTER HE TOUCHED DOWN. SOURCE DID NOT HEAR ANY FIRING AT THE TIME OF THE PILOT'S CAPTURE.

1. (S/NF) SOURCE DESCRIBED THE PILOT AS MALE CAUCASIAN, TALL, AND WITH NO APPARENT WOUNDS OR INJURIES. SOURCE RECALLED THAT THE PILOT WAS WEARING A MILITARY UNIFORM, BUT COULD NOT RECALL THE COLOR OR ANY RANK OR INSIGNIA. SHORTLY AFTER THE PILOT WAS CAPTURED, SOURCE SAW THE PILOT TAKEN AWAY ON FOOT IN THE DIRECTION OF HOANH BO (D) TOWN. AFTER THE PILOT DEPARTED IN THE CUSTODY OF THE MILITIA, SOURCE DID NOT SEE OR HEAR ABOUT HIM AGAIN.

5. (S/NF) A FEW DAYS LATER SOURCE COMPLETED HIS VISIT IN HOANH BO AND RETURNED TO HIS HOME IN HON GAI. SOURCE STATED THAT WHEN HE RETURNED TO HON GAI HE SAW AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE LYING APPROX 20 METERS FROM HIGHWAY 18 AT KILO METER MARKER #3 FROM HON GAI IN THE DIRECTION OF CAM PHA (EAST OF HON GAI). SOURCE HEARD FROM RESIDENTS OF THE AREA THAT THE AIRCRAFT WAS A MODEL F105 WHICH HAD CRASHED A FEW DAYS EARLIER, CAUSING SOURCE TO SPECULATE THAT IT WAS THE SAME AIRCRAFT HE HAD SEEN BE HIT FLYING OVER HOANH BO. SOURCE DID NOT HEAR ABOUT ANY OTHER CREWMEMBERS. SOURCE DID NOT OBSERVE ANY AMERICANS REMAINING IN VIETNAM.

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