

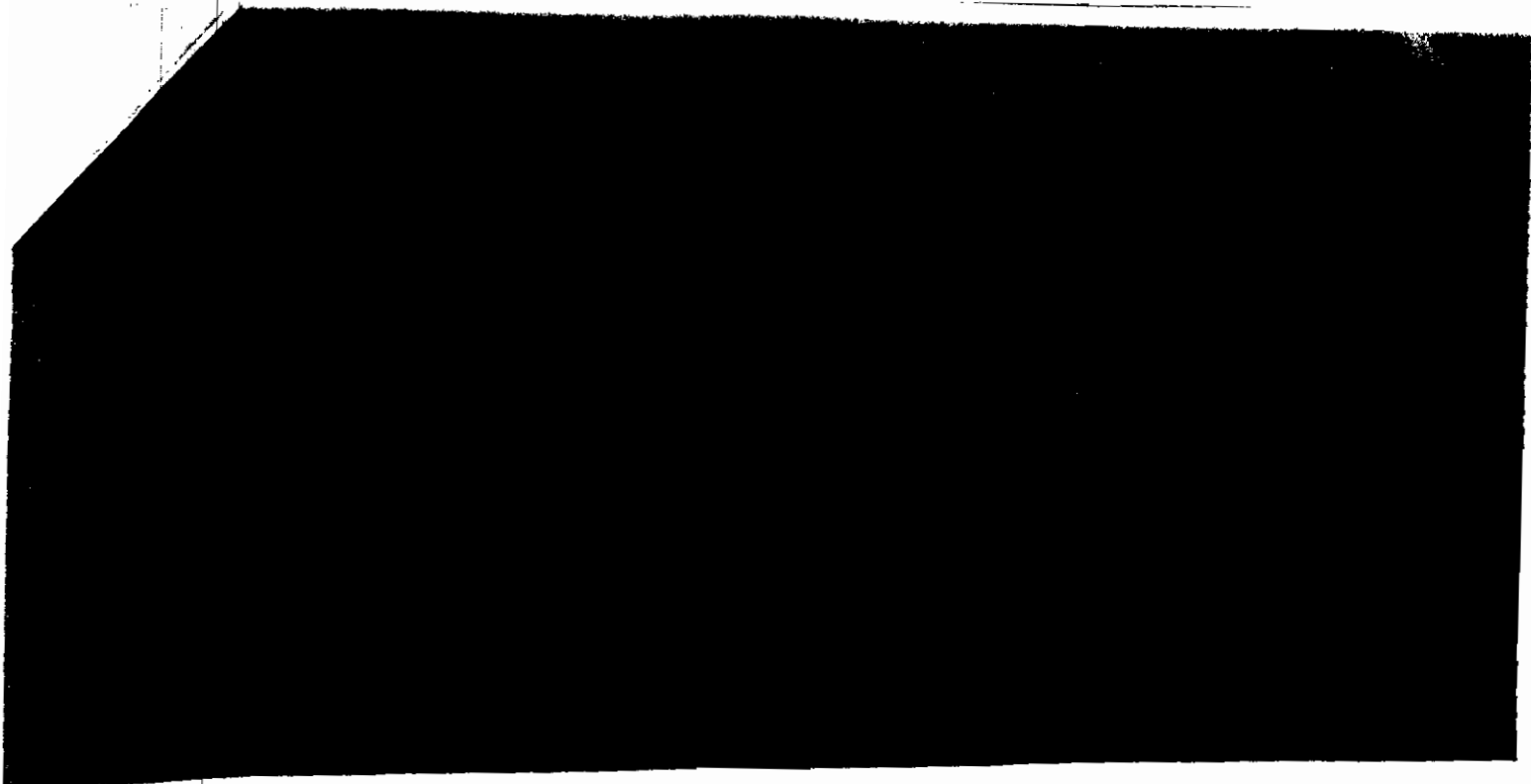
2. Information Obtained. The following information was related to JCRC HK 84-
personnel by Source as fact. 033

At approximately 19 1500 Nov 72, when Source was a student going to school on Nui Cong Da, vic YJ62, he saw two American pilots parachute into the ocean, approximately 7 km west of Nui Cong Da. Source estimated this was near Dao Let Island (not located on the map by that name) (NFI). Both pilots were approached by members of the Self Protection Force in fishing boats. While in the water, the pilots began firing pistols at the oncoming boats. The fishing boats returned fire and one pilot was killed. Nguyen Van Quyen, Hamlet 1, Thanh Loi (V), Cam Pha (D), Quang Ninh (P) was given credit for the kill. Source heard this detailed account from Quyen the day following the incident. The pilot was shot through the head and died instantly. The live pilot was captured and taken away in the other of the two boats. Source later heard that he was taken to Camp Pha Village, vic YJ4626 but never saw him or heard or read anything further. Q Ninh

The corpse of the dead pilot was taken to Nui Cong Da where it remained for three days. The body was preserved in approximately 200 kilograms of salt by three ethnic Chinese who were paid 500 Dong by the Cam Pha District Seat. They cleaned the body of the salt and prepared it for burial after transporting it to Cai Rong, vic YJ5232. The corpse was then buried near Dong Xa Village (not on maps) which is in vic YJ510314 or YJ510315, approximately half way between Cai Rong and Tai Xa. It was buried there to reduce transportation requirements from Cai Rong. Source suspects the same three ethnic Chinese buried the body.

Source viewed the body during the three days it was on Nui Cong Da. He made the following description: the pilot had blond hair, was approximately six feet tall, was wearing 1LT rank, was dressed in a flight suit and based on the flight record found on the body, this mission was the pilot's fifth. Source also heard (but did not see) of a gold wedding band and a quality watch worn by the pilot. As this type of watch was not available in Vietnam, all were impressed. Quyen had initially removed these items but later turned them over to Cam Pha District Seat.

As a result of this incident, Quyen, as a reward, was allowed to return to his home town near Chua (somewhere along the Vietnam-Chinese border), was given a transistor radio and a certificate of commendation.



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3. Additional Information. At the time of the incident, Source was an elementary student. He studied for a total of five years. He has a U.S. contact, Le Ngoc Ly, 3513 35th St, Moline, Illinois 61265. Also, see related incident reported in JCRC Report NO HK84-007. Source left Vietnam on 9 June 83 and arrived at Hong Kong on 8 Aug 1983.

