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Hai Phong

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Ref: RPT #HK84-132  
21 January 1985FROM: JCRC-LNB  
TO: Commander, JCRC

SUBJ: Shootdown of U.S. Aircraft At Hai Phong on 16 April 1972

## Source:

- a. Name: Mac Phuong Phuc
- b. DOB: 15 March 1952
- c. POB: Hai Phong
- d. Former position: Merchant
- e. Present location: Kaho Macao
- f. Identification data: Boat M122
- g. DOI: 1972
- h. Map used: Sheets 6350-2, 6350-4; Series L7014
- i. Date of interview: 15 December 1984
- j. Name of interviewer: Mr. Garnett E. Bell
- k. Other: Arrived Macao 13 May 1980

Source, a 32 YOA male VN refugee (ethnic Chinese) and former merchant, provided limited information concerning the shootdown of a U.S. aircraft at Hai Phong City on 16 April 1972.

## Information:

Source stated that on 16 April 1972 he observed the shootdown of a U.S. aircraft at Hai Phong City.

Source stated that he was asleep at his home at approximately 0200-0300 hours when the air raid alert was sounded. Source stated that he went outside but did not enter an air raid shelter because he was not afraid since the bombing in the area of his home was a common occurrence.

Source stated that he saw one aircraft, which was attacking the POL storage area (XJ 725085) located on Highway 5 northeast of Hai Phong, be hit by anti-aircraft fire and burst into flames. Source stated that due to darkness he could not tell the type of the aircraft but that it sounded like a jet. Source heard other aircraft flying in the area at the same time but was not able to tell what types or how many. Source last saw the aircraft that had been hit, on fire, and flying in the direction of the Do Son Peninsula (XH 8691). Source did not see any crewmembers eject from the aircraft due to darkness. Source did not hear about the capture of any crewmembers. Source did not observe or hear about any personal effects, remains, or graves associated with the incident.

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Source was not able to provide further information concerning the incident.

Comment:

Source claimed that he was able to recall the exact date because the air attack on that date was famous as being the heaviest attack against Hai Phong during the war.



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