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SUBJ: EVALUATION OF RPT HK26-49 (U)

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1. (C) ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PHAM VAN QUAN, SOURCE OF REF A, REVEALS A POSSIBLE CORRELATION TO EITHER REFNO 0919-1-01 OR 0920-2-21.

2. (U) REFNO'S 0919 AND 0920: ON 19 NOVEMBER 1967, LIEUTENANT CCM-

MANDER CLAUDE P. CLOWER AND LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE WALTER O. ESTES WERE CREW MEMBERS ABCARD THE LEAD F-4B (REFNO 0919) ON A MISSION OVER NORTH VIETNAM. THE CREW OF THE SECOND F-4B (REFNO 0920)

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WERE LIEUTENANT JAMES E. TEAGUE AND LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE THEODORE G. STIER. LCDR CLOWER'S AIRCRAFT CRASHED IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XH 683896, APPROXIMATELY 18 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF HAIPHONG, HAIPHONG PROVINCE, VIETNAM. LTJG TEAGUE'S AIRCRAFT CRASHED IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XH 753934, APPROXIMATELY 15 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF HAIPHONG, HAIPHONG PROVINCE, VIETNAM. LCDR CLOWER AND LTJG STIER WERE BOTH CAPTURED AND RETURNED TO THE U.S. DURING OPERATION HOMECOMING. ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1977, THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM REPATRIATED THE REMAINS OF LTJG ESTES AND LTJG TEAGUE.

3. (U) THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS AND LOCATION PROVIDED BY SOURCE CORRELATE WITH BOTH INCIDENTS. ACCORDING TO LTJG STIER,

REFNO 0920-2-02, EITHER LTJG ESTES OR LTJG TEAGUE WAS KILLED DURING A GUN BATTLE WITH NORTH VIETNAMESE TROOPS. THIS INFORMATION CORRELATES WITH SOURCE'S ACCOUNT OF THE INCIDENT.

4. (U) THIS IS A PRELIMINARY ANALYTICAL POSITION AND NOT A FINAL EVALUATION. EVAI - RIJ

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