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Information:

Source stated that while residing in the Dong Ha Area (YD 2461) during 1981 and 1982, he often searched for scrap metal for making tools. Source stated that he heard from hilltribesmen in the Ca Lu area (YD 0344) that they had located a crashed jet aircraft (type unknown) in the Nui Voi Mep Mountain Area (XD 8354).

Source went with the tribesmen to look at the aircraft and to purchase metal to be sold at Dong Ha. When Source arrived at the crashsite the tribesmen had already been scavenging metal for about one week.

The tribesmen also told Source that they knew the location of a large fixed wing aircraft which they thought was a Caribou or a C-130 type (not sure of type). The hilltribesmen told Source that they were afraid to go to that site because human remains were there and that they would not go there because of the ghosts at the crashsite. Source did not know the location.

Source stated that he also observed the wreckage of a crashed helicopter which was shown to him by the hilltribesmen. Source stated that he could not locate the crashsite on the map but described his route as follows: from Cam Lo District Town (YD 1259) proceed west on Highway #9 about four or five kilometers past Calu (YD 0344) to the 47 kilometer marker. At the 47 kilometer marker turn left (sic) and go past the first tribal village to the second village and then seven more kilometers to the crashsite (see attached sketch).

Source did not observe any remains or personal effects associated with any of the wreckage. Source was not able to provide further information concerning the wreckage but stated that a friend of Source in Vietnam, Mr. Tran Van Xuan, 338 Khom 2 Phuong 5, Dong Ha, Binh Tri Thien, could assist U.S. officials in locating the wreckage.

