

18144/10542E, #F7415.

(3) A DATA PLATE CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

AIRCRAFT NO.: F4
 PART NO.: 53-13001-J621
 CONTRACT NO.: ((NO ENTRY))
 SERIAL NO.: P37-1141

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THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISPLAY TAG AND DATA PLATE COULD BE RELATED TO CASE 1329. CASE 1329 WAS AN F4D LOST IN WESTERN QUANG BINH, VIC 172060N/1061144E, XC 270185, ON 25 NOVEMBER 1963. THE DISPLAY TAG FOR THIS DATA PLATE ON EXHIBIT IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S TRADITION HOUSE CONTAINED A CAPTION THAT DESCRIBED IT AS "A DATA PLATE FROM AN F4 THAT D105 ((BATTALION)) SHOT DOWN ON 25.11.1968 ((SIC)) IN WESTERN QUANG BINH ((PROVINCE))."

(4) A 16MM FILM MAGAZINE FOR AN AIRCRAFT GUN CAMERA MOUNT. THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THIS ITEM AS: "THE CASE FROM A COMMUNICATION DEVICE OF ONE OF THE F105 AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN IN THE WESTERN REGION." THE DATA PLATE ON THE ITEM CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

MAGAZINE, FILM
 16MM 50 FOOT CAPACITY, L8-48
 ORDER NO.: AF94(b06)15079-AS-66-1
 MFR'S PART NO.: 34215 STOCK NO.:
 5760NC0200685
 SERIAL NO.: ((?)) 0 ((OBSCURED EXCEPT FOR LAST DIGIT))
 MFD BY: SCS DATA SYSTEMS, PAMONA, CALIF.

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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT: PAVN 280TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS THIS FILM MAGAZINE APPEARS ORIGINALLY TO HAVE BEEN A COMPONENT OF THE U.S. NAVY GUN CAMERA MOUNT DESCRIBED BELOW. THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S DISPLAY TAG FOR THE GUN CAMERA MOUNT DESCRIBED IT AS "AN ELECTRONIC COMPONENT FROM AN AIRCRAFT THAT WAS SHOT DOWN UNDER THE COMMAND OF ASSISTANT COMPANY COMMANDER OF ((COMPANY)) 31, COMRADE DANG XUAN NGHIEP ((DANGXJ XUAAN NGHIEEPJ))." THE DATA PLATE ON THE GUN CAMERA MOUNT CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

U.S. NAVY
 GUN CAMERA MOUNT
 TYPE N203

FIELD ANALYSIS WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT COULD HELP IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC INCIDENT THESE TWO ARTIFACTS WERE ASSOCIATED WITH.

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(5) A U.S. M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHER, SERIAL NUMBER 177124. THE NAME PHIL WAS CARVED INTO THE STOCK. THE CAPTION IN 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S DISPLAY TAG FOR THIS ITEM INDICATED IT WAS CAPTURED DURING FIGHTING WITH INFANTRY TROOPS IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. THE DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT SAID HE WAS CERTAIN THIS M-79 WAS CAPTURED FROM REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ARMED FORCES DURING OR AFTER THE 1972 SPRING OFFENSIVE.

(6) A U.S. MILITARY EMERGENCY RADIO. THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THIS ITEM AS: "A CASE FOR A RADIO ON AN F4H (SIC) AIRCRAFT, WHICH C1 ((COMPANY)), D216 ((BATTALION)) DOWNED ON 31.3.72." THE DATA PLATE FOR THE RADIO CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

AN/((MISSING DATA))
 PART NO.: 7(5)6932-801
 MFR SERIAL NO.: 37695
 SERIAL NO.: 1432

THE DATA PLATE HAS BADLY CORRODED MAKING SOME DATA UNREADABLE. FIELD ANALYSIS WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY ANY AIRCRAFT LOSSES ON 31 MARCH 1972, NOR ANY F4 AIRCRAFT DOWN WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS OF THAT DATE.

(7) A DATA PLATE FOR AN AIRCRAFT COMPONENT. THERE WAS NO DISPLAY TAG ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ITEM. THE DATA PLATE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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MFR BY SARGENT-FLETCHER CO.
 - ELMONTE, CALIF
 - TANK AND INTEGRAL PYLON, FUEL, AIRCRAFT, EXTERNAL,
 - JETTISONABLE
 - CLASS: I CAPACITY: 370 GAL.
 - WEIGHT EMPTY: 289 LBS
 - MFR PART NO: 26-370-4843
 - GOVERNMENT ORDER NO.: BDA AF 04 (607)

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SERIAL NUMBER: 6091

(8) A DATA PLATE FOR AN AIRCRAFT COMPONENT. THE
 DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED IT AS "A DATA PLATE FROM AN F8U-
 2N AIRCRAFT THAT D105 ((BATTALION)) SHOT DOWN DURING

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THE ROUTE 9-SOUTHERN LAOS CAMPAIGN IN THE NEWLY
 LIBERATED REAR AREA." THE DATA PLATE CONTAINED THE
 FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- AIRCRAFT MOD.: F8U-2N ((9IC))
 - PART NO.: C-((?)) 420185-6
 - CONT. NO.: N (8) 59-0-0154
 - SERIAL NO.: A53-82
 - MODIFICATIONS INCORPORATED:
 - ASC

THE F8U-2N IS ALSO KNOWN AS THE F8D. THE CAPTION IN
 THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S DISPLAY TAG DID NOT
 CITE A SPECIFIC LOCATION AND DATE; HOWEVER, THE PAVN
 USES THE TERM "ROUTE 9-SOUTHERN LAOS CAMPAIGN" CITED IN
 THE DISPLAY TAG TO REFER TO ITS COUNTER-OFFENSIVE TO
 THE US/GVN INCURSION INTO LAOS (US/GVN OPERATION LAM
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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT: PAVN 250TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS
 SON 717), ALONG ROUTE 9, BETWEEN THE VIETNAMESE LAOS
 BORDER AND XERXVE, LAOS, IN EARLY 1971. THE PAVN HIGH
 COMMAND ANTICIPATED THE US/GVN OPERATION AND BEGAN
 DEPLOYING ITS FORCES FOR THE COUNTER-OFFENSIVE IN LATE
 1970. 070 FRONT, WHICH WAS THE HEADQUARTERS FOR PAVN
 FORCES, WAS IN PLACE IN LAOS, NEAR THE WEST END OF THE
 DEMILITARIZED ZONE, AT LEAST AS EARLY AS OCTOBER 1970
 AND REMAINED IN PLACE THROUGH ABOUT MID-1971.

(9) A DATA PLATE FOR AN AIRCRAFT COMPONENT. THE
 DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED IT AS "A DATA PLATE FROM AN A4E
 AIRCRAFT THAT D102 ((BATTALION)) DOWNED AT BEN THAN
 ((BEN THAN)) (QUANG TRI), I, APRIL 1972. THE DATA
 PLATE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- AIRCRAFT MOD.: A4E
 - PART NO.: 5572169-3
 - CONT. NO.: N/A (A) 640045-F
 - SERIAL NO.: A10-830

BEN THAN IS LOCATED VICINITY 1658N/10653E, Y01077.
 FIELD ANALYSIS COULD NOT IDENTIFY ANY INCIDENT THAT
 CORRESPONDED TO THE TYPE AIRCRAFT, LOCATION, AND DATE
 CITED IN THE DISPLAY TAG FOR THIS DATA PLATE.

(10) A BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPH THAT DEPICTS A
 COLLAGE OF A U.S. 9-1000 CHIT, A U.S.-ISSUED MAP, A

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U.S.-ISSUED SURVIVAL PAMPHLET, AND A DATA PLATE FROM A
 U.S. A-40 AIRCRAFT. THE DATA PLATE DEPICTED IN THE
 PHOTOGRAPH CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- AIRCRAFT MOD.: A-40
 - PART NO.: A41 4909-503
 - CONT. NO.: 37-1-22
 - SERIAL NO.: A-17-192
 - MODIFICATIONS INCORPORATED:
 - ASC-169-0

TWO DISPLAY TAGS WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GROUP OF
 ARTIFACTS. THE CAPTION ON ONE DESCRIBED THE EXHIBIT AS
 "THE FLIGHT HELMET AND FLIGHT MAP OF AN AMERICAN PIRATE
 PILOT ((NAME)) RI-V) (9IC) SHOT DOWN BY THE REGIMENT
 ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1965." THE OTHER CAPTION, WHICH WAS
 BADLY FADED AND PARTIALLY DESTROYED BY INSECTS,
 DESCRIBED THE EXHIBIT AS "A MAP AND BLOOD CHIT

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((PASSAGE DESTROYED BY INSECTS)) PIRATE PILOT ((ILLEGIBLE)) SHOT DOWN AT VINH ON 5 AUGUST 1964. THE FLIGHT HELMET SHELL CONTAINED NO MARKINGS THAT MIGHT HELP IDENTIFY THE PILOT. THE PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLAGE DID NOT DEPICT THE SERIAL NUMBER ON THE BLOOD CHIT. THE INFORMATION THAT REFERRED TO A PILOT NAMED "61-VQ" WHO WAS SHOT DOWN ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1965 APPARENTLY CORRESPONDS TO CASE 0101--RETURNED POW *NAME*

NAME U.S. NAVY, WHOSE AGE WENT DOWN ABOUT 10-15KM SW OF VINH ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1965. THE DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT SAID HE BELIEVED THE DATE IN THE CAPTION FOR THE PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD BE 10 SEPTEMBER 1965 AND THAT THE ITEMS DEPICTED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THE PILOT NAMED "RI-VQ." THE ONLY INCIDENT IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S AREA OF OPERATIONS ON 5 AUGUST 1964 WAS CASE 0034; A RESOLVED CASE THAT INVOLVED AN A1E AIRCRAFT. THE INFORMATION ON THE DATA PLATE DEPICTED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH IS FROM AN A4D AIRCRAFT. ALTHOUGH THE DATA PLATE DOES NOT APPEAR TO CORRESPOND TO CASE 0034, IT COULD CORRESPOND TO CASE 0141.

(11) A DATA PLATE MOUNTED ON A SMALL PAPER-COVERED PIECE OF WOOD. THE DATA PLATE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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 - AIRCRAFT MOD.: A4D-5
 - PART NO.: N0A 62-0395
 - SERIAL NO.: 418-1358
 - MODIFICATIONS INCORPORATED:
 - 4SC-1570
 - 4CSEC 15-62
 - 4SC 1EC4 ((?))

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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT; PAVN 280TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS THE CAPTION ON THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THIS AS "A DATA PLATE FROM AN A4D THAT P44V D44G CAT'S ((PHAN D44G CAT'S)) GUN CREW SHOT DOWN ON 5 AUGUST 1964." THE ONLY INCIDENT IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S AREA OF OPERATIONS ON 5 AUGUST 1964 WAS CASE 0034; A RESOLVED CASE THAT INVOLVED AN A1E AIRCRAFT. THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT STAFF COULD NOT SUPPLY ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT MIGHT HELP IDENTIFY THE INCIDENT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ARTIFACT. BASED ON INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH OTHER ARTIFACTS ON DISPLAY IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S TRADITION HOUSE, THIS DATA PLATE MIGHT CORRESPOND TO CASE 0141--RETURNED POW LTCDR W. B. RIVERS, U.S. NAVY, WHOSE AGE WENT DOWN ABOUT 10-15KM SW OF VINH ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1965.

12. APPENDIX E, REQUEST FOR INFORMATION, 280TH REGIMENT THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF REQUEST SENT TO V40SMP THIS DATE FOR ADDITIONAL RESEARCH AT THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT:

ON 29 JULY 1991 AND 14 AUGUST 1991, THE RESEARCH SPECIALISTS FROM THE U.S. OFFICE FOR POW/MIA AFFAIRS IN HANOI AND THE V40SMP (SENIOR COLONEL TRAN BIEN, MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, AND MRS. NGUYEN THI TAN, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR) VISITED THE HEADQUARTERS AND TRADITION HOUSE OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT, PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM, IN STA LAM DISTRICT, HANOI. DURING THE VISIT THE RESEARCH SPECIALISTS EXAMINED THE WARTIME ARTIFACTS IN THE 280TH REGIMENT'S TRADITION HOUSE. NEARLY FIFTY ARTIFACTS AND EXHIBIT TAGS YIELDED POTENTIALLY USEFUL INFORMATION. THE U.S. OFFICE REQUESTS THAT V40SMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS HELP SEARCH FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

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 - A. REQUEST V40SMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS IDENTIFY THE DATE, LOCATION, AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE 309TH U.S. AIRCRAFT DOWNED OVER NORTH VIETNAM. THE CAPTION ON A PHOTOGRAPH IN THE TRADITION HOUSE INDICATED THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT DOWNED THE

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AIRCRAFT IN THE VICINITY OF VINH CITY, NGHE AN PROVINCE.

- B. REQUEST VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS IDENTIFY THE DATE, LOCATION, AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE 100TH U.S. AIRCRAFT DOWNED OVER VINH CITY, NGHE AN PROVINCE. THE CAPTION FOR FIVE SMALL PIECES OF AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE IN THE TRADITION HOUSE READ: "PIECES OF VINH CITY'S 100TH AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY THE ((280TH AIR DEFENSE)) REGIMENT."

- C. REQUEST VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT CASE 1269, AN F4D AIRCRAFT THAT WENT DOWN IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, VICINITY 1731434/1061309E, KE 294383, ON 1 SEPTEMBER 1968. A U.S. AIR FORCE REVOLVER, SERIAL NUMBER K617314, THAT IS DISPLAYED IN THE TRADITION HOUSE BELONGED TO THE PILOT OF THAT AIRCRAFT. THE CAPTION ON THE DISPLAY TAG FOR THIS WEAPON DESCRIBED IT AS THE "SIDE ARM OF AN AMERICAN PILOT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN ON 5 AUGUST 1964." U.S. RECORDS SHOW THAT THE SERIAL NUMBER BELONGED TO THE WEAPON CARRIED BY NAME, U.S. AIR FORCE. CASE 1269, WHOSE F4D AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, VICINITY 1731434/1061309E, KE 294383, ON 1 SEPTEMBER 1968. CASE 1269 IS UNRESOLVED.

- D. AN F111A AIRCRAFT DOWN IN VICINITY OF NGAM KHE TANG, 28 MARCH 1968.

(1) REQUEST THAT VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT AN INCIDENT IN WHICH AN F111A AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN IN THE VICINITY OF NGAM KHE TANG ((NGAAMF KHE TANG; KHE TANG STREAM CROSSING)) ON 28 MARCH 1968. ONE OF THE DISPLAY TAGS IN THE TRADITION

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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT: PAVN 280TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS HOUSE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING CAPTION: "HAND WHEEL FOR

TURNING A 57MM AAA GUN; ONE OF SEVERAL ((USED BY)) GUNNERY TEAMS COMMANDED BY COMPANY COMMANDER NGUYEN NGOC DOAN ((NGUYEEN NGOCJ DOANF)) AT NGAM KHE TANG ((NGAAMF KHE TANG)) THAT SHOT DOWN AN F111A ON 28 MARCH 1968." ADDITIONALLY, THE DISPLAY TAG FOR A WOODEN AIMING STAKE WITH THE NUMBER 34 ((SOUTHEAST)) CONTAINED A CAPTION INDICATING THE AIMING STAKE PLAYED A ROLE IN THE SHOOTING DOWN OF AN AMERICAN F111A AIRCRAFT ON 28 MARCH 1968. THIS INFORMATION APPARENTLY REFERS TO CASE 1107, AN F111A AIRCRAFT LOST WHILE ON A STRIKE MISSION OVER NORTH VIETNAM DURING THE EARLY MORNING OF 28 MARCH 1968.

(2) REQUEST THAT VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS ALSO INFORM THE U.S. OFFICE OF THE MAP COORDINATES FOR NGAM KHE TANG, WHICH DOES NOT APPEAR ON U.S. MAPS.

(3) REQUEST THAT VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS ALSO PROVIDE THE U.S. OFFICE ANY INFORMATION THAT COULD DETERMINE WHETHER CASE 1107 IS LINKED WITH THE REPORTED CRASH SITE OF AN F111 AIRCRAFT THAT JCRC AND VNDSMP TEAMS INVESTIGATED IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE DURING TWO DIFFERENT JOINT INVESTIGATIONS SINCE SEPTEMBER 1988.

E. REQUEST THAT VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN DURING THE ROUTE 9-SOUTHERN LAOS CAMPAIGN. THE DISPLAY TAG FOR A PHOTOGRAPH IN THE TRADITION HOUSE CONTAINED A CAPTION THAT DESCRIBED IT AS A PHOTOGRAPH OF "GUN CREW 3, CO ((COMPANY)), D102 ((BATTALION)), ON 21 MARCH 1971, WHICH PARTICIPATED WITH THE ENTIRE UNIT IN SHOOTING DOWN 11 U.S. AIRCRAFT." THE DATE WAS DURING THE US/GVN OPERATION LAM SON 719. PAVN FORCES INFLICTED HEAVY DAMAGE ON U.S. AIRCRAFT SUPPORTING THE OPERATION. THE CREW AND PASSENGERS OF SOME OF THOSE AIRCRAFT STILL ARE UNACCOUNTED-FOR.

F. A-KY AND CA ROOMG AND CASE 1181.
(1) REQUEST THAT VNDSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR

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ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN

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INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN DURING MAY 1969. THE DISPLAY TAG FOR A SKETCH IN THE TRADITION HOUSE CONTAINED A CAPTION THAT DESCRIBED IT AS "A SKETCH OF THE BATTLE AT 1819 HOURS, 4 MAY 1969, IN WHICH C4 & C5 ((COMPANIES)) SHOT DOWN AN RF4C." THE SKETCH DEPICTED A U.S. AIRCRAFT PASSING OVER "A-KY" AND THEN CIRCLING WEST AND SOUTH OVER A HIGH POINT SOUTH OF "CA ROONG" ((CAF ROONG)). THE SKETCH INDICATED THE AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN WEST OF A-KY. THE U.S. OFFICE COULD NOT IDENTIFY AN INCIDENT THAT CORRESPONDED PRECISELY TO THE DATE AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT CITED IN THIS SKETCH. VNOSMP RESEARCHERS MIGHT EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY THE SKETCH DEPICTED CASE 1181, BUT CITED THE WRONG DATE.

(2) REQUEST THAT VNOSMP RESEARCHERS PROVIDE THE MAP COORDINATES FOR "A-KY" AND "CA ROONG". NEITHER OF THESE PLACE NAMES ARE IDENTIFIED ON U.S. MAPS. CA ROONG MAY BE CO ROONG, 1711N/10620E, XE4101.

(3) REQUEST THAT VNOSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN BETWEEN 14 APRIL AND 1 JULY 1968. THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THAT AN INFLATABLE LIFE BOAT BEARING THE SERIAL NUMBER 66317 ON DISPLAY IN THE TRADITION HOUSE COULD BE RELATED TO AN AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN BETWEEN 14 APRIL AND 1 JULY 1968; POSSIBLY CASE 1181. HAND-LETTERED ENTRIES ON THE BOAT REVEALED THAT U.S. TECHNICIANS HAD INSPECTED IT ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

14 AUGUST 1967
19 OCTOBER 1967

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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT: PAYM 280TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS
-- DECEMBER 1967
15 FEBRUARY 1968
14 APRIL 1968 ((THE LAST RECORDED

INSPECTION))
THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THE BOAT AS "A BOAT THAT BELONGED TO THE AMERICAN PILOT OF AN RF4C THAT D105 ((BATTALION)) SHOT DOWN ON 25 JANUARY 1968." THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THE DISPLAY TAG CITED THE WRONG DATE, BECAUSE U.S. TECHNICIANS INSPECTED THE BOAT NEARLY THREE MONTHS AFTER THE INCIDENT DATE CITED IN THE

DISPLAY TAG. U.S. TECHNICIANS INSPECTED THE BOAT EVERY TWO MONTHS. THE NEXT INSPECTION SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABOUT MID-JUNE 1968. FOR THIS REASON, THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THIS BOAT BELONGED TO AN AIRCRAFT THAT WENT DOWN SOMETIME BETWEEN 14 APRIL AND MID-JUNE 1968. THE AIRCRAFT FOR CASE 1181 WAS LOST ON 18 MAY 1968 IN THE VICINITY OF 1733N/10635E. CASE 1181 IS THE ONLY RF4C AIRCRAFT LOST IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S AREA OF OPERATION BETWEEN 14 APRIL AND 1 JULY 1968. ONE OF THE CREWMEMBERS, U.S. AIR FORCE NAME IS A RETURNED PUN. THE OTHER CREWMEMBER, U.S. AIR FORCE NAME IS STILL UNACCOUNTED-FOR.

(6) REQUEST THAT VNOSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT THE U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN ON 25 NOVEMBER 1968, AND THE FATE OF THE CREWMEMBERS.

(1) ONE DATA PLATE FOR AN AIRCRAFT COMPONENT IN THE TRADITION HOUSE CONTAINED A CAPTION THAT DESCRIBED IT AS "A DATA PLATE FROM AN F4 THAT D105 ((BATTALION)) SHOT DOWN ON 25.11.1968 ((SIC)) IN WESTERN QUANG BINH ((PROVINCE))." THE DATA PLATE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

AIRCRAFT NO.: F4
PART NO.: 53-13001-0621
CONTRACT NO.: ((NO ENTRY))
SERIAL NO.: 437-1141

THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THIS INFORMATION COULD BE

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RELATED TO CASE 1329. CASE 1329 WAS AN F4D CRASH IN WESTERN QUANG TRI, VIC 172100N/1051140E, XE 270185, ON 25 NOVEMBER 1968. THE TWO CREWMEMBERS INVOLVED IN CASE 1329 ARE STILL UNACCOUNTED-FOR.

(2) AN AIRCREW'S CHECKLIST FOR THE U.S. F4D AND F4C AIRCRAFT, PUBLISHED IN JANUARY 1968, ON EXHIBIT IN THE TRADITION HOUSE, ALSO COULD BE RELATED TO CASE 1329. THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THIS ITEM AS "HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE F4C F4D AIRCRAFT TAKEN FROM AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT THAT C-2 (COMPANY), D105

(BATTALION)) SHOT DOWN BY 23.10.1968 ((SIC)), AT KILOMETER 32 ON ROUTE 20." THE DISPLAY TAG FOR PART NO. 53-13091-0621, SERIAL NO. 937-1141, MENTIONED ABOVE, INDICATED THE D105 BATTALION SHOT DOWN THE AIRCRAFT INVOLVED IN CASE 1329. CASE 1329 INVOLVED AN F4 AIRCRAFT. THE U.S. OFFICE ESTIMATES KILOMETER 32, ROUTE 20, IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY AT 172100N/1051230E, WHICH IS VERY NEAR THE LOCATION WHERE THE CASE 1329 AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN. THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THE DISPLAY TAG FOR THE AIRCREW'S CHECKLIST CITED THE ABOVE INCIDENT DATE.

(3) A U.S. AIR FORCE REVOLVER, SERIAL NUMBER K597312, AND A LEATHER HOLSTER. THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THIS WEAPON AS THE "SIDE ARM OF ((MISSING TEXT)) AMERICAN ((NAMED)) ASSELY ((SIC)), WHO THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN IN QUANG TRI ((PROVINCE))." THIS SERIAL NUMBER BELONGED TO THE WEAPON CARRIED BY NAME, U.S. AIR FORCE, CASE 1329.

H. REQUEST THAT VADSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 299TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR ANY TACTICAL REPORTS OR OTHER RECORDS THAT CONTAIN

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SUBJECT: RESEARCH REPORT: PAVA 299TH AIR DEF REGT RECORDS INFORMATION ABOUT ANY U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE DURING 1972 AND 1973; ESPECIALLY ANY INFORMATION ABOUT AN AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN ON 14 APRIL 1972. DISPLAY TAGS FOR SOME ARTIFACTS IN THE TRADITION HOUSE INDICATE THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN ONE OR MORE U.S. AIRCRAFT IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE; HOWEVER, THE DISPLAY TAGS DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC INCIDENTS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH ARTIFACT. FOR EXAMPLE:

(1) A U.S. AIR FORCE REVOLVER, SERIAL NUMBER K597312, AND A LEATHER HOLSTER EXHIBITED IN THE TRADITION HOUSE WERE DESCRIBED AS: "THE SIDE ARM OF AN AMERICAN ((MISSING TEXT)) ((NAMED)) ASSELY ((SIC)), WHO THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN IN QUANG TRI ((PROVINCE))." VADSMP RESEARCHERS ATTEMPT TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY THIS DISPLAY TAG ORIGINALLY WAS ASSOCIATED WITH A DIFFERENT REVOLVER. THE SERIAL NUMBER BELONGS TO A REVOLVER CARRIED BY NAME, U.S. AIR FORCE, CASE 1329, WHOSE F4D AIRCRAFT WENT DOWN IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, VICINITY

172060N/1061140E, XE 270185, ON 25 NOVEMBER 1968.

(2) ANOTHER EXAMPLE IS THE METAL BLADE OF A SHOVEL, WHICH WAS DESCRIBED AS "A SHOVEL BELONGING TO THE AMERICAN PILOT OF AN AIRCRAFT THAT D105 ((BATTALION)) DOWNED AT MAI LUC ((SIC--MAI LUC)) ON

14.4.72." THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THIS EXHIBIT COULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 2044, WHICH INVOLVED AN F4 THAT WENT DOWN ON 13 APRIL 1972, ABOUT 9-10 KM NORTH OF MAI LUC ((MAI LUC)), QUANG TRI PROVINCE. LOCAL RESIDENTS FREQUENTLY REFER TO MAI LUC AS VIENG CUA ((THE CUA AREA)). ONE OF THE CREWMEMBERS INVOLVED IN CASE 2044 IS STILL UNACCOUNTED-FOR; THE REMAINS OF THE OTHER CREWMEMBER WERE RETURNED TO THE U.S. IN 1965. THOSE REMAINS WERE RETURNED WITH A CAPTION, INDICATING THIS PERSON HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN CUA VIET, WHICH IS LOCATED IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, VIC 1654N/10711E, YD3269.

1. REQUEST THAT VADSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS INFORM THE U.S. OFFICE OF THE MAP COORDINATES FOR CU

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WANG (DDDF VANGF)). THIS REQUEST IS RELATED TO A SIGNAL MILITARY EXHIBITED IN THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT'S TRADITION HOUSE. THE DISPLAY TAG DESCRIBED THE ITEM AS "A SIGNAL MILITARY FROM A, F4M (11C) AIRCRAFT THE ((MISSING TEXT)), BATTALION SHOT DOWN AT CU VANG ((DDDF VANGF)), ON 10.3.67."

J. REQUEST THE VNUSMP RESEARCH SPECIALISTS SEARCH THE FILES OF THE 280TH AIR DEFENSE REGIMENT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT ANY U.S. AIRCRAFT THE REGIMENT SHOT DOWN IN AUGUST 1969, ESPECIALLY CASE 1248. CASE 1248 INVOLVED NAME, U.S. AIR FORCE, CAPTAIN NAME WAS LOST ON 15 AUGUST 1968, VIC 174858N/1062159E. NAME, U.S. AIR FORCE, CASE 1253, WAS LOST TWO DAYS LATER, VIC 173157N/1061657E, ABOUT 25-35 KM SOUTHWEST OF NAME LOSS LOCATION. A DISPLAY CARD IN THE TRADITION HOUSE SUGGESTS THAT THE REGIMENT USED TO HAVE NAME MILITARY IDENTIFICATION CARD. WHEN VNUSMP OFFICIALS RETURNED NAME REMAINS IN 1995, THEY SUGGESTED THE REMAINS WERE THOSE OF NAME, WHO IS STILL UNACCOUNTED FOR. SINCE CASES 1248 AND 1253 ARE CLOSELY RELATED, THE U.S. OFFICE BELIEVES THE 280TH REGIMENT MIGHT HAVE SOME RECORD OF NAME INCIDENT.

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SUBJ: TRANSLATION OF PERSONAL DIARY OF SOURCE DATA

VILLAGE WITNESS

REF: A. JCRC LIAISON 130736Z AUG 91
B. JCRC LIAISON 031907Z OCT 91

- REF A IS THE SUMMARY REPORT OF US/SRV ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING THE 14TH SERIES OF JOINT INVESTIGATIONS, 17 JUL - 12 AUG 91. PAR 3C(2)(3) OF THAT REPORT REFERS TO THE INVESTIGATION OF A REPORTED AIRCRAFT CRASH IN DUONG THUY (V), LE THUY (D), QUANG BINH (P). REF B IS THE DETAILED REPORT OF INVESTIGATION OF THAT INCIDENT.
- PAR 3G(5) OF REF B PROVIDED A TRANSLATION OF ONE ENTRY IN THE PERSONAL DIARY OF SOURCE SOURCE, COMMANDER OF THE SOURCE DATA VILLAGE MILITIA FROM 1956 TO 1975. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES A TRANSLATION OF THOSE PAGES OF SOURCE DIARY WHICH MAY CONTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING U.S. AIRCRAFT LOSS INCIDENTS IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE.
- (U) THE DIARY SHOWS SIGNS OF AGE CONSISTENT WITH DOCUMENTS OF THE WAR ERA. THE TITLE PAGE READS "HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS (MUST KEEP)" (TAIF LIEEUJ LICH SWR (PHAIR GIWX)). THE CONTENTS CONSIST OF NOTES CONCERNING SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE AUTHOR. THE TEAM WAS ALLOWED TO EXAMINE THE ENTIRE

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(NOTE: THE 76 IN THE YEAR 1975 APPEARED WITH TWO CROSSING ARROWS, INDICATING THAT THE NUMBERS WERE TRANSPOSED AND SHOULD HAVE APPEARED 1967. HEAVY MACHINE GUN IS THE MOST APPROPRIATE TRANSLATION FOR BOTH TYPES OF WEAPONS CITED IN THE FIRST LINE OF "WEAPONS USED." THE ORIGINAL VIETNAMESE, WHICH IS MORE PRECISE, WAS "DAI LIEEN" AND "TRUNG LIEEN," RESPECTIVELY. LUONG THIEU (LUONG THIEENJ) WAS A LOCAL PLACENAME IN DUONG THUY VILLAGE.)

AT 0900 8.7.1968

INDEPENDENTLY SHOT DOWN 1 U.S. AIRCRAFT 1 F4

WEAPONS USED: 2 HEAVY MACHINE GUNS 45 V, 2 MEDIUM

MACHINE GUNS 25 V

PARTICIPATING FORCES: DUTY COMBAT GROUP 10 COMRADES

- NGUYEN XUAN HOAI

- NGUYEN XUAN VINH

- NGUYEN PHUC

- TRAY QUANG

- TRAY VUI

- LE TRA

- PHAY PHUONG

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- AWARDED

COMBAT MEDAL THIRD CLASS

((THE LETTER "V" THAT APPEARS TWICE IN THE "WEAPONS

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AMPN/SUBJ: TRANSLATION OF VIETNAMESE DOCUMENTS//

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AMPN/REF A IS THE SUMMARY REPORT OF THE JOINT ACTIVITIES

CONDUCTED DURING THE 14TH ITERATION FROM 17 JULY - 12 AUGUST

1991//

RMKS/1. DURING ITERATION 14, FROM 17 JUL THROUGH 12 AUG 1991, JOINT INVESTIGATION TEAM TWO ACQUIRED FIVE UNOFFICIAL DOCUMENTS PROVIDED BY THE PROVINCE TASK TEAM CONTAINING REFERENCES TO INCIDENTS INVOLVING AMERICAN AIRCRAFT. THE TEAM PHOTOGRAPHED 56 PAGES SELECTED FROM FOUR OF THESE DOCUMENTS. THE FOLLOWING IS A VERBATIM TRANSLATION OF ONE OF THESE DOCUMENTS. NOTES: THE ORIGIN OF THIS DOCUMENT IS UNKNOWN, BUT IT APPEARS TO BE A COMPILATION OF MARTIME EVENTS RECORDED IN THE DIARY OF A STATISTICIAN OF UNKNOWN AFFILIATION. ANALYST COMMENTS WITHIN THE TEXT OF THE DOCUMENT ARE ENCLOSED WITHIN DOUBLE PARENS.

2. /QUOTE/ ((DOCUMENT TITLE)) PEOPLES' ARMY OF VIETNAM

SAFEGUARD SECURITY

QUANG BINH PROVINCIAL FORCES

MISSION RECORD

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FIRING ON AMERICAN AIRCRAFT AND WARSHIPS AND

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STATISTICS ON MARINE DECORATIONS

USERS: TUAN QUOC DIEM

UNIT: QUANG BINH POLITICAL OFFICE

PERMANENT AAA FORCES

((READ: DATE; TIME (GJLF); UNIT(S); ROUNDS EXPENDED-TYPE OF WEAPON) RESULTS; AWARD RECOMMENDATION))

A. 23 APR 72; 1320; 2ND, 3RD, 4TH AAA MILITIA COMPANIES; 572 ROUNDS-37MM; 2 ACFT SHOT DOWN COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.

B. 23 MAY 72; 0823; 3RD; 4TH AAA MILITIA COMPANIES; 54 ROUNDS-12-37MM; 1 RF-4 SHOT DOWN, COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

C. 18 APR 72; 0945; 300TH TOWNSHIP PLATOON; 4 SALVOS, 70 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 JS ACFT SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

D. 21 APR 72; 1130; 13TH RECON COMPANY; ---; ONE JS PILOT CAPTURED; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.

E. 18 JUN 72; 1620; VIET TRUNG STATE FARM; 69 ROUNDS-

14.5MM, 4 ROUNDS-RIFLE; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

F. 20 JUN 72; 1210; 2ND, 4TH AAA MILITIA COMPANIES; 50 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

G. 8 JUL 72; 1410; 2ND, 4TH AAA MILITIA COMPANIES; 92 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

H. 10 AUG 72; 1730; 365TH COMPANY; 90 ROUNDS-MACHINE GUN; 1 HELICOPTER SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.

I. 17 AUG 72; ---; RADAR PLATOON, 4TH COMPANY, 37TH REGIMENT, 351ST DIVISION; ---; SUPPORT; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

J. 22 SEP 72; 1635; 5TH AAA MILITIA COMPANY; 103 ROUNDS-14.5MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

K. 25 SEP 72; 0635; 3RD AAA MILITIA COMPANY; 95 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 A-7 SHOT DOWN - 40N GIO ISLAND ((XE775810)); COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT-MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

L. 17 OCT 72; 0930; 3RD AAA MILITIA COMPANY; 15 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 A-7 - 40N LA ISLAND ((XE625832)); COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

M. 25 OCT 72; 1010; 29TH AAA BATTALION; 153 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 US F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

N. 7 NOV 72; 2230; 359TH PROVINCIAL LOCAL FORCES COMPANY; 94 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-111A; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 1ST CLASS.

O. 29 NOV 72; 1305; 48TH LOCAL FORCES COMPANY; 120 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

P. 31 DEC 72; 1025; 29TH AAA BATTALION; 83 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 A-3; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

Q. 4 JAN 73; 0830; 1ST, 3RD MILITIA COMPANIES, 234TH

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MILITIA REGIMENT; 154 ROUNDS-37MM AND 69 ROUNDS-23MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

K. 16 FEB 72; 1440; MAI THUY VILLAGE, LE THUY DISTRICT; ---; CAPTURED 2 US PILOTS; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.

L. 17 FEB 72; 1200; LIEU THUY VILLAGE, LE THUY DISTRICT; ---; CAPTURED 2 US PILOTS; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

M. 17 FEB 72; 1200; AREA 22 AND WESTERN XUAN THUY; ---; CAPTURED 1 US PILOT; TWO COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS 3RD CLASS.

N. 20 MAY 72; 1615; DONG PHU VILLAGE, PROVINCIAL CAPITAL DISTRICT; 155 ROUNDS; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

O. 23 MAY 72; 1930; MAI THUY AND PHU THUY VILLAGES; ---; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

P. 19 MAY 72; 1812; VAN NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT; 12 ROUNDS-37MM AND 35 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

Q. 3 JUN 72; 1120; LOC NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT; 60 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

R. 6 JUN 72; 0930; QUANG PHU VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT; 20 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 A-7; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

S. 6 JUL 72; 1620; LOC NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT; 40 ROUNDS-12.7 AND 37MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

T. 2 AUG 72; 0940; MAI HOA VILLAGE, TUYEN HOA DISTRICT; ---; 1 RF-4C SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

U. 4 AUG 72; ---; LY NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT; 90 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

V. 24 AUG 72; 1500; QUANG PHUC VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT; 21 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

W. 24 AUG 72; ---; 233RD REGIMENT, MILITARY REGION (MR) 4, QUANG HUNG; 14.5MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

X. 6 SEP 72; 0900; QUANG DONG VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT; 25 ROUNDS; 1 RA-5C SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.

Y. 15 SEP 72; 0757; DUC NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT; 75 ROUNDS; 1 A-7 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.

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GG. 17 SEP 72; 1750; TRUNG TRACH VILLAGE; 87 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 HH. 21 SEP 72; 2147; PHUC THUY; 263 ROUNDS-12.7MM AND 65
 II. 26 SEP 72; 1122; 45TH BATTALION, 2ND, 4TH, 5TH MILITIA COMPANIES; 89 ROUNDS-14.5MM, 318 ROUNDS-12.7MM, 56 ROUNDS-37MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 JJ. 5 OCT 72; 1440; DJNG HOI VEHICLE REPAIR FACILITY SELF-DEFENSE; 50 ROUNDS-14.5MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT, 2 US PILOTS CAPTURED; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 1ST CLASS.
 KK. 23 OCT 72; 1500; LEN THUY VALE MILITIA; 175 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 LL. 18 OCT 72; 1715; DUY NINH MILITIA; 190 ROUNDS-12.7 AND 14.5MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 MM. 18 OCT 72; 1515; CANH DUONG MILITIA; 17 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 NN. 26 OCT 72; 0315; VO NINH MILITIA; 95 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 OO. 27 OCT 72; 0932; PHONG THUY MILITIA; 245 ROUNDS-12.7 AND 14.5MM; 1 F-4; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 PP. 31 OCT 72; 2300; TRUCNG THUY MILITIA; 225 ROUNDS-12.7 AND 14.5MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 QQ. 23 JUL 72; 1330; QUANG LONG GUERRILLA UNIT AND QUANG PHONG MILITIA; ---; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 RR. 8 NOV 72; 1520; HAM NINH VILLAGE GUERRILLA UNIT; 55 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 SS. 16 NOV 72; 0845; NGU THUY MILITIA; 132 ROUNDS-HEAVY MACHINE GUN; 1 F-4 SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS.
 TT. 21 NOV 72; 0100; PHU TRACH VILLAGE, 3D TRACH DISTRICT; 15 ROUNDS-12.7MM; 1 F-111; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 1ST CLASS.
 UU. 17 JAN 73; 1330; NGU THUY VILLAGE, LE THUY DISTRICT; 150 ROUNDS-HEAVY MACHINE GUN; 1 DRONE SHOT DOWN; COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS.
 COMMUNIQUE PRAISING THE 9TH COMPANY
 MESSAGE DATED 14 JUN 72
 AT 2015 HOURS ON THE NIGHT OF 11 JUN 1972, THREE US WARSHIPS APPROACHED THE SOUTHERN COAST OF QUANG BINH AND EFFECTED IRRESPONSIBLE ARTILLERY SHELLING OF COASTAL VILLAGES. WITH A SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND HIGH COMBAT READINESS, THE FIGHTING CADRE COUNTER-ATTACKED FIERCELY SETTING THREE ENEMY VESSELS ABLAZE. AT 2240 HOURS THE SECOND COUNTER-ATTACK SET ADDITIONAL FIRES ON ONE

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ENEMY WARSHIP, AN EXTREMELY OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES AND CONGRATULATES THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EVERY COMRADE - EVERY COMRADE CONTINUES TO DEVELOP THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AT THE SAME TIME DRAWING FROM EXPERIENCE, WHILE SUCCESSFULLY CARRYING OUT THE TASK OF MAINTAINING THE SAFETY OF PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT. TAKE VERY GOOD CARE OF YOURSELVES, TROOPS.

SIGNED, PHAM BA DUONG
 COMMUNIQUE PRAISING QUANG PHU VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT
 MESSAGE RECEIVED BY THE QUANG TRACH DISTRICT FORCES ON 14 JUN 72

AT 0830 HOURS ON 6 JUN 1972, AN AMERICAN A-7 ATTACKED THE FERRY NORTH OF ROY. A 12.7MM DETACHMENT AT QUANG PHU, WITH A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF VIGILANCE, COURAGEOUSLY ENTERED THE FIGHT, LOOKED DIRECTLY AT THE AIRCRAFT AND OPENED FIRE WITH A SALVO OF 20 ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION. THE AIRCRAFT BURST INTO FLAMES AND CRASHED 1900 METERS FROM THE BATTLE FIELD - AN OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EVERY COMRADE - HOPING AS EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO DEVELOP AND ATTAIN THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, THEY DRAW FROM THEIR EXPERIENCES IN A TIMELY MANNER, RESOLVED TO BETTER THEIR AIM, AND WIN VICTORY IN THE FUTURE.

SIGNED, PHAM BA DUONG
 COMMUNIQUE SENT TO MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS AND THE POLITICAL DIRECTORATE

MESSAGE SENT TO THE MR ON 12 JUN 1972
 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS TO QUANG PHU VILLAGE

AT 0830 HOURS ON 6 JUN 1972, AN AMERICAN A-7 ATTACKED AND DESTROYED THE FERRY NORTH OF ROY. A 12.7MM DETACHMENT AT QUANG PHU DEPLOYED 400 METERS AWAY, WITH A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF VIGILANCE, COURAGEOUSLY LOOKED DIRECTLY AT THE AIRCRAFT, AS IT DROVE STRAIGHT ON TARGET, AND WITH 20 ROUNDS FROM THE SAME SALVO, THE AIRCRAFT BURST INTO FLAMES AND WENT DOWN IN TWO PIECES, EACH PIECE WEIGHING 50 KILOGRAMS WITH LETTERS AND NUMBERS ON THE PIECES, 1900 METERS FROM THE BATTLE FIELD.

THE OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT OF THIS DETACHMENT WAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY HEADQUARTERS AND THE MR, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SAFE - RECOMMEND THE MR HEADQUARTERS CONSIDER AWARDED THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS TO QUANG PHU VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT.

SIGNED, NGOAN
 COMMUNIQUE SENT TO THE MR ON 15 JUN 1972
 RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO:

1. NGU THUY VILLAGE FEMALE ARTILLERY COMPANY
 AT 2300 HOURS ON 9 JUN, FIVE ENEMY VESSELS IRRESPONSIBLY SHELLED COASTAL VILLAGES IN SOUTHERN QUANG BINH. WITH A HEIGHTENED SENSE

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OF VIGILANCE AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, THE UNIT PROMPTLY OPENED FIRE, IN A FERVENT COUNTER-ATTACK CAUSING THE NUMBER THREE VESSEL TO BURST INTO FLAMES - OF 30 ROUNDS FIRED, FOUR HIT THE SHIP. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

2. 8TH ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 1700 HOURS ON 13 JUN, AN ENEMY WARSHIP IRRESPONSIBLY SHELLED COASTAL VILLAGES IN NORTHERN QUANG BINH. WITH A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, THE UNIT PROMPTLY OPENED FIRE, IN A FERVENT COUNTER-ATTACK CAUSING THE VESSEL, NUMBER 845, TO BURST INTO FLAMES - OF 27 ROUNDS FIRED, THREE HIT THE SHIP. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

SIGNED, PHAM BA DUONG

COMMUNIQUE PRAISING THE FIRST COMMO-LIAISON STATION, MR. 4 MESSAGE RECEIVED BY THE QUANG NINH DISTRICT FORCES ON 15 JUN 1972

DURING THE FIRST PART OF JUNE, MILITIA FORCES IN LOC NINH VILLAGE, QUANG NINH DISTRICT, A UNIT THAT FOR SIX CONSECUTIVE YEARS HAS BEEN DEDICATED TO VICTORY, HELD A CLEAR PERCEPTION OF THE SITUATION, ELEVATED THEIR VIGILANCE, AND HAS MADE ARDENT PREPARATIONS IN EVERY RESPECT TO STRIKE THE ENEMY UNDER ALL

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CIRCUMSTANCES, SHOT DOWN A US AIRCRAFT ON 3 JULY 1972.

MR HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF EACH COMRADE - MANIFESTING VICTORY, PROMOTING THE EFFORT TO FIRE ON LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT, TO SINK AND SET FIRE TO ENEMY WARSHIPS, ACHIEVING HIGH LEVELS OF EXCELLENCE, SUCCESSFULLY HANDLING EVERY TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM, INTENSELY PREPARED AND READY TO SMASH ENEMY SCHEMES, ESTABLISHING NUMEROUS COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS - EXCEPTIONALLY BUILDING UP LOC NINH OVERALL.

SIGNED, MAJOR GENERAL LE QUANG HUA
RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE FOLLOWING UNITS:

MESSAGE SENT ON 17 JUN 1972

1. 9TH ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 2015 AND 2240 HOURS ON 11 JUN, NUMEROUS US WARSHIPS APPROACHED THE SOUTHERN COAST OF QUANG BINH AND EFFECTED IRRESPONSIBLE ARTILLERY SHELLING OF THE PEOPLE. WITH SINCERE VIGILANCE AND HIGH COMBAT READINESS, THE 9TH COMPANY OPENED FIRE WITH A FIERCE COUNTER-ATTACK, BOTH ATTACK WAVES SET FIRE TO THE US WARSHIPS. OF 164 ROUNDS FIRED, 30 HIT THE SHIPS. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SAFE.

2. 8TH ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 1110 HOURS ON 12 JUN, A US WARSHIP IRRESPONSIBLY SHELLED VILLAGES IN NORTHERN QUANG BINH. WITH HEIGHTENED VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS, THE 8TH COMPANY OPENED FIRE WITH A FIERCE COUNTER-ATTACK FIRING 134 ROUNDS, 18 OF WHICH STRUCK WARSHIP NUMBER 866 CAUSING IT TO BURST INTO FLAMES. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. PERSONNEL ARE SAFE.

MILITARY REGION COMMUNIQUE 0800 HOURS 16 JULY - DOCUMENT 903
ON 9 JULY THE FEMALE MILITIA OF NGU THUY VILLAGE BECAME ONLY THE SECOND VILLAGE SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR RECOGNIZED FOR COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT BY FIRING ON AND SETTING ABLAZE AN AMERICAN WARSHIP. MR HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES AND RECOGNIZES THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE FEMALE MILITIA UNIT OF NGU THUY, LONG LIVE THE PARTY OFFICIALS, AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR THEIR HELP IN CREATING CONDITIONS FOR UNITS TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR MISSION.

EACH COMRADE HAS DEMONSTRATED HEROIC TRADITION BY MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO STRENGTHEN THEIR DETERMINATION AND COMBAT SKILLS, TO ESTABLISH THE UNIT'S STABILITY AND DURABILITY WITH OUTSTANDING TACTICAL AND TECHNICAL SKILLS CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING COMMAND AND CONTROL, STRIVING FOR EVEN GREATER ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ORDER TO

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TRULY COMMEMORATE THE DATE THE ARTILLERY WAS ESTABLISHED (29 JUN).

SIGNED - LE QUANG HOA

THE QUANG PHU VILLAGE MILITIA HAS STEADFASTLY EXECUTED THE MR HEADQUARTER'S DIRECTIVE ON COMBAT READINESS AND FIRING ON LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT, BY PROMPTLY RETURNING FIRE AND DOWNING AN ENEMY PLANE ON 6 JUN. MR HEADQUARTERS SALUTES AND RECOGNIZES THE PREMIER COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE QUANG PHU VILLAGE MILITIA EXTOLLING PARTY OFFICIALS, AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR THEIR HELP IN CREATING CONDITIONS FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE MILITIA TO REALIZE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, SYMBOLIZING SUCCESS. EACH COMRADE MUST STUDY HARD AND DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE TO BOLDLY AND BRAVELY ESTABLISH A UNIVERSAL LIFE STYLE IN WHICH THE VET IS CAST TO COPE WITH THE UNEXPECTED AND TO SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN PLANES ON THE SPOT, CAPTURE ALIVE NUMEROUS PIRATE AVIATORS, AND ESPECIALLY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEFENSE OF THE RON RIVER INLET AND FERRY, INSURING THE CONTINUOUS LINES OF COMMUNICATION/TRANSPORTATION - THE KEY TO VICTORY.

SIGNED, LE QUANG HOA

MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS CONGRATULATORY COMMUNIQUE

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DEDICATES TO THE HATRED FOR AMERICAN AGGRESSION, AND COMBAT DETERMINATION TO SAFEGUARD LIVES OF COMMUNICATION AND THE CIVILIAN POPULACE DURING THE FIRST 14 DAYS OF JUNE, OUR MR ARTILLERYMEN, THROUGH VALIANT COMBAT, ACHIEVED OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE, 14 TIMES FIRING ON AND SETTING ABLAZE SEVEN WARSHIPS. SPECIFICALLY, DURING A FOUR DAY PERIOD FROM 11 (SIC) THROUGH 11 JUN, THE 9TH COMPANY-QUANG BINH MILITIA ALONG WITH THE ALLIED UNITS FIRED ON AND SET ABLAZE SIX AMERICAN WARSHIPS.

MR HEADQUARTERS HEAVILY SALUTES THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF EACH COMRADE - A MAJOR DEFEAT FOR THE AMERICAN PIRATES - EACH COMRADE CONSISTENTLY EXHIBITS THE SUCCESS OF THIS RECENT VICTORY - EVER VIGILANT, VIGOROUSLY ATTACKING THE ENEMY - STRUGGLING TO BOTH FIGHT AND STUDY, RAISING THE LEVEL OF TACTICS, TECHNIQUE, AND COMMAND STRUCTURE - REACHING EVEN GREATER ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN COMMEMORATION OF 29 JUN - AN ARTILLERY UNIT WORTHY OF THE TRADITION OF A HEROIC PEOPLE.

MESSAGE TO COMM-REASON STATION 1 AND THE POLITICAL DIRECTORATE OF MR4.

VIET TRUNG - MESSAGE DATED 24 JUN 1972

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE FOLLOWING UNITS:

1. AT 1820 HOURS ON 19 JUN 1972, NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED A COMMUNICATIONS AXIS AND AN ARTILLERY POSITION IN THE VIET TRUNG STATE FARM AREA. AIR DEFENSE FORCES ON DUTY AT THE STATE FARM FIERCELY COUNTER-ATTACKED AND SHOT DOWN IN FLAMES AN F-4 WHICH CRASHED WEST OF CAD KHE. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER

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AUTHORITY - 64 ROUNDS OF 14.5MM AMMUNITION USED. THE UNIT IS SAFE.

2. 9TH 37MM AAA BATTALION

AT 1210 HOURS ON 20 JUN 1972, A NUMBER OF AMERICAN F-4 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED SEVERAL TARGETS IN THE DONG HOI AREA. COMPANIES 2, 4 AND THE AAA MILITIA, IN A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER-ATTACK WHICH DOWNED ONE AMERICAN F-4 WHICH CRASHED WEST OF CAD KHE. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER AUTHORITY - 30 ROUNDS OF 37MM AMMUNITION EXPENDED. WEAPONS AND PERSONNEL SECURE.

MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS COMMENDATION

ON THE 20TH, AN ALERT ELEMENT AT THE VIET TRUNG STATE FARM, HIGHLY VIGILANT AND EXCELLENT FIGHTERS, EFFECTED APPROPRIATE RETRIBUTION SHOOTING DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4.

MR4 HEADQUARTERS COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EACH COMRADE.

EACH COMRADE REMAINS HIGHLY DEDICATED TO THE HATRED FOR THE ENEMY, DETERMINED TO FIGHT AND WIN. THE ENTIRE LOCAL MILITIA FORCE SUSTAINS FULL FIRE COVERAGE TO SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN

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AIRCRAFT, APPREHEND NUMEROUS PIRATE AVIATORS, PROVIDE OUTSTANDING PROTECTION AND STABILITY TO THE VILLAGE, AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE PRESERVATION OF THE LINES OF COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPORTATION.
SIGNED, LE QUANG HOA

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MR4 MESSAGE TO ALL UNITS.

AS EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO DISPLAY THE STRENGTH, EXCELLENT FIGHTING SKILL, AND MARKSMANSHIP WHICH EXEMPLIFY THE TRULY GLORIOUS TRADITION OF THE ARTILLERY FORCES, EFFECTING APPROPRIATE RETRIBUTION ON THE AMERICAN PIRATES FOR THEIR CRIMES AGAINST THE LOCAL POPULACE, THEY REALIZED A SERIES OF NEW ACCOMPLISHMENTS FROM 26 JUNE THROUGH 7 JULY BY FIRING ON AND SETTING ABLAZE SIX AMERICAN WARSHIPS.

MR HEADQUARTERS SALUTES AND CONGRATULATES EVERY UNIT FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACHIEVEMENT - EACH COMRADE REMAINS HIGHLY DEDICATED TO THE HATRED FOR THE AMERICAN PIRATES, AND TO THE LIVE CAPTURE OF PIRATE AVIATORS - THE CAPTURED AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS MUST PAY A DEBT OF BLOOD - THE COMRADES HAVE HEIGHTENED THEIR DETERMINATION TO FIGHT AND WIN AND HAVE BLENDED IN WELL WITH ALL OF THE ALLIED AND MILITIA UNITS, STRESSING IMPROVED TACTICS, TECHNIQUE, AND QUICKENED SKILLS, PRESERVED CAISSONS, CONSERVED AMMUNITION, STRENGTHENED FORTIFICATIONS, USED CLEVER CAMOUFLAGE, AND HAVE SUCCESSFULLY FIRED ON AMERICAN WARSHIPS AND ENEMY AIRCRAFT, ESTABLISHING A NUMBER OF NEW COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS.
SIGNED, HOA

MR4 MESSAGE TO HEADQUARTERS / CONTINUED

MR HEADQUARTERS IS VERY GLAD TO SALUTE THE LOC VINH MILITIA FOR AN OUTSTANDING COMBAT EFFORT SHOOTING DOWN AN AMERICAN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT ON 6 JUL - THIS WAS THE SECOND AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY THIS VILLAGE DURING THE PAST MONTH.

THE LOC VINH MILITIA ARE CONSISTENTLY ENTHUSIASTIC IN THEIR HATRED FOR THE PIRATES AND DETERMINED TO CAPTURE THE AMERICAN PIRATES WHO MUST PAY A DEBT OF BLOOD, MAKE EVERY EFFORT TOWARD TRAINING, MAINTAIN EXCELLENT COMBAT SKILLS, AND ARE EDUCATED THROUGH EXPERIENCE TO BECOME EVEN MORE OUTSTANDING. QUANG BINH ALWAYS EMPHASIZES COMPETITIVENESS AMONG THE SELF DEFENSE MILITIA FORCES TO DEVELOP THE STRENGTH TO SHOOT DOWN AIRCRAFT, ESPECIALLY THOSE AIRCRAFT THAT ARE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTACKS ALONG THE COAST, CONTRIBUTING TO THE COUNTRIES OVERALL COMPLETE DEFEAT OF THE AMERICAN PIRATE'S NEW WAR OF DESTRUCTION AND ALL OF THEIR FOULHARDY SCHEMES.
SIGNED, LE QUANG HOA

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RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL FIRST CLASS TO THE ARTILLERY MILITIA

WITH VIGILANT AWARENESS AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS OCCASIONS OPENED FIRE AND SET ABLAZE THREE US WARSHIPS. AT 1630 HOURS ON 29 JUN 133 ROUNDS WERE FIRED WITH 16 HITTING A SHIP, FROM 1220 TO 1249 HOURS ON 3 JUL 340 ROUNDS WERE FIRED WITH 25 HITTING A SHIP, AND AT 0930 HOURS ON 7 JUL 91 ROUNDS WERE FIRED WITH 12 HITTING A SHIP. THE OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT HAS BEEN ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT AT THE THREE BATTLE STATIONS ARE SECURE.

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL THIRD CLASS TO THE FOLLOWING UNITS

1. THE 130TH ARTILLERY COMPANY
THE 130TH ARTILLERY COMPANY, RECENTLY FOUNDED IN JUNE 1972, DISPLAYED A HATRED FOR THE ENEMY AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE CADRE AND WARRIORS AT 2055 HOURS ON 5 JUL AS AN AMERICAN WARSHIP FIRED INTO THE POPULACE FROM OFF THE COAST OF NORTHERN QUANG BINH - THE 130TH COMPANY QUICKLY OPENED FIRE, COUNTER ATTACKING AND SETTING ABLAZE THE AMERICAN WARSHIP - THE SHIP WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED AND WAS UNABLE TO GET UNDERWAY FOR ONE HOUR AND FIFTEEN MINUTES - 70 ROUNDS WERE FIRED, ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS - PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ON THE BATTLE FIELD ARE SECURE.

2. THE MILITIA OF LOC VINH VILLAGE - QUANG BINH DISTRICT
AT 1620 HOURS ON 5 JUL, A SORTIE OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED AN AXIS OF NATIONAL ROUTE 1 AND AN AREA IN THE CAPITAL OF DONG HOI - THE COMBAT UNIT ON DUTY AT LOC VINH, WITH VIGILANT AWARENESS AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, QUICKLY OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK WHICH CAUSED ONE AMERICAN AIRCRAFT TO BURST INTO FLAMES. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS, 40 37 AND 12.7MM ROUNDS WERE FIRED, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ON THE BATTLEFIELD ARE SECURE.

3. THE 9TH 37MM AAA BATTALION
AT 1410 HOURS ON 5 JUL, NUMEROUS SORTIES OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED AN AXIS ALONG NATIONAL HIGHWAY ONE AND AN AREA IN THE CAPITAL OF DONG HOI. WITH VIGILANT AWARENESS AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, THE 2ND AND 4TH COMPANIES, 9TH BATTALION, OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK CAUSING ONE F-4 TO BURST INTO FLAMES. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS, THE TWO COMBAT STATIONS FIRED 92 ROUNDS, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.
MR HEADQUARTERS MESSAGE TO QUANG BINH MILITARY HEADQUARTERS
23 JUL 72 - THE MILITIA OF QUANG LONG VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DOWN ON THE SPOT ONE F-4.

MR HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES AND CONGRATULATES THE QUANG LONG MILITIA FOR THEIR HEIGHTENED VIGILANCE AND EXCELLENT COMBAT SKILLS IN ACCOMPLISHING THIS OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT AND SENDS ITS WARM REGARDS TO THE PARTY COMMITTEE AND THE LOCAL

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AUTHORITIES FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN NURTURING THE CONDITIONS
NEEDED FOR THE LOCAL ARMED FORCES TO FIGHT AND WIN.

DURING THE DIFFICULT DAYS WHEN THE AMERICAN PIRATES HAVE
CARRIED OUT NUMEROUS BOLDLY DECEITFUL AND FOULHARDY ACTS, THE
QUANG BINH ARMED FORCES HAVE HAD TO SHARPEN THEIR VIGILANCE IN
UNIFIED COORDINATION, RESOLVED TO FIGHT AND WIN, IN AN ALL OUT
EFFORT TO SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT, CAPTURE ALIVE
THE PIRATE AVIATORS, AND BE PREPARED TO SMASH EVERY DESTRUCTIVE
ACT, AND EVERY OTHER FOULHARDY MILITARY INITIATIVE OF THE
AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS.

SIGNED, HOA

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE
1ST ARTILLERY COMPANY, 13TH BATTALION

MESSAGE DATED 2 AUG 72

WITH VIGILANT AWARENESS AND A HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS
THE CADRE AND WARRIORS OF THE 1ST COMPANY AT 1050 HOURS ON 25 JUL
OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK WHICH SET ABLAZE ONE AMERICAN
WARSHIP, COMPLETING THE INITIAL COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE UNIT
ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS, OF 32 ROUNDS FIRED, 10 HIT

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THE TARGET, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ON THE BATTLE FIELD ARE
SECURE.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

TO THE CADRE AND MILITIA OF MAI HOA VILLAGE

AT 0940 HOURS ON 2 AUG 72, THE AMERICAN PIRATES SENT
AIRCRAFT TO RECONVOITER AND ATTACK THE VILLAGE, WITH RAGING
HATRED AND A SPIRIT OF HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, A 12.7MM
DETACHMENT IN MAI HOA VILLAGE QUICKLY OPENED FIRE IN OUTSTANDING
COMBAT FASHION, PULVERIZING AN RF-4C, AN OUTSTANDING
ACCOMPLISHMENT.

THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT OF EACH COMRADE WAS INITIATED THE
MOVEMENT TO SHOOT DOWN LOW FLYING AIRCRAFT WITHIN THE NATIVE
AND DEDICATION OF THE LOCAL FORCES EXEMPLIFIES A VILLAGE HAVING
BOTH EXCELLENT PRODUCTIVITY AND COMBAT SKILLS.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES AND
CONGRATULATES THE OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EVERY
COMRADE, ALL UNITS CONSISTENTLY DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE IN A TIMELY
FASHION, STRIVE TO STUDY, UPLIFT THE COLLECTIVE COMBAT EFFORT,
FIGHT WELL, SHOOT DOWN MANY AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE
PIRATE AVIATORS, ESTABLISHING EVEN MORE GLORIOUS COMBAT
ACHIEVEMENTS.

THE 365TH COMPANY OF QUANG TRACH

AT 1730 HOURS ON 10 AUG 72 AN AMERICAN HELICOPTER CONDUCTED AN
ATTACK TO BLOCK LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION AND AN
IRRESPONSIBLE ATTACK ON THE COASTAL CIVILIAN POPULACE. WITH A
SPIRIT OF OVERCOMING ADVERSITY, AND A DETERMINATION TO ATTACK
WITH BRAVE RESOLVE BY MEANS OF PROJECTILE TRAJECTORY FILLED WITH
HATRED, COMBAT SKILL AND ACCURACY SHOT DOWN THE AMERICAN
HELICOPTER, AN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT.//

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 CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EACH
 COMRADE. EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO DEVELOP A REPUTATION
 FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT, MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO TRAIN AND
 UPLIFT THEIR TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES TO FIGHT WELL AND HIT THE
 TARGET, SHOOTING DOWN NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT,
 CAPTURING PIRATE AVIATORS - THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EACH
 COMRADE HAVE EFFECTED THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO THE AMERICAN
 HELICOPTER'S SCHEME OF HINDERANCE AND DOMINANCE OF THE SEA, AT
 THE SAME TIME THE UNIT IS THE FIRST IN THE PROVINCE TO SHOOT
 DOWN AN AMERICAN HELICOPTER, A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
 COMPETITIVE PHASE OF DOWNING 1700 AMERICAN AIRCRAFT IN THE
 HERDIA REGION.

130TH AND 100TH ARTILLERY COMPANIES

EACH COMRADE IN TRULY GLORIOUS TRADITION HAS SHOWN THE
 STRENGTH, EXCELLENT FIGHTING SKILL AND MARKSMANSHIP IN EFFECTING
 APPROPRIATE RETRIBUTION ON THE AMERICAN PIRATES FOR THEIR CRIMES
 AGAINST THE LOCAL POPULACE - AT 2250 HOURS ON 8 AUG 72, THE 130TH
 AND 100TH ARTILLERY COMPANIES IN CLOSE COORDINATION, FUGHT WELL
 AND FIRED TRUE, SHOOTING AND SETTING ABLAZE ONE AMERICAN WARSHIP.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES
 THE TWO UNITS FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT ABOVE, EACH COMRADE REMAINS
 HIGHLY DEDICATED TO THE HATRED FOR THE ENEMY, DEDICATED TO THE

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CAPTURE OF AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS AND MUST PAY A DEBT OF
 BLOOD - THE COMRADES HAVE HEIGHTENED THEIR DETERMINATION TO FIGHT
 AND WIN, UNITED ALL OF THE ALLIED AND MILITIA UNITS, STRESSING
 IMPROVED TACTICS, TECHNIQUE, AND QUICKENED SKILLS, SAFEGUARDING
 CAISSONS AND CONSERVING AMMUNITION TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE
 MISSION, TO RESPOND, OUTSTANDINGLY, BY SHOOTING AND HITTING
 AMERICAN WARSHIPS AND ESTABLISHING EVEN GREATER COMBAT
 ACHIEVEMENTS.

MESSAGE TO HEADQUARTERS - POLITICAL DIRECTORATE MR4
 RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 2ND CLASS TO COMPANY
 365. AT 1730 HOURS ON 10 AUG, AN AMERICAN HELICOPTER OPERATING
 IN THE HON LA AREA CARRIED OUT AN ATTACK TO BLOCK LINES OF
 COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION AND HIT THE COASTAL CIVILIAN
 POPULACE. A 12.7MM DETACHMENT, 365TH COMPANY, WITH A SPIRIT OF
 OVERCOMING ADVERSITY, AGGRESSIVE DETERMINATION, VIGILANCE AND A
 HIGH SENSE OF COMBAT READINESS, UNIFORMLY OPENED FIRE AND SHOT
 AND SET FIRE TO THE AMERICAN HELICOPTER WHICH WENT DOWN SOUTH
 WEST OF HON GI. THE BATTLE INVOLVED SIX HEAVY MACHINE GUNS
 FIRING A TOTAL OF 30 ROUNDS. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.
 THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE FOLLOWING UNITS
 -130TH COMPANY AND THE 2ND ARTILLERY COMPANY, QUANG BINH

AT 2250 HOURS ON 8 AUG, AN AMERICAN DESTROYER OPERATING IN
 THE HON LA AREA FIRED ARTILLERY TO BLOCK LINES OF COMMUNICATION
 AND TRANSPORTATION AND ON THE COASTAL CIVILIAN POPULACE OF QUANG
 TRACH. THE TWO UNITS WERE VIGILANT AND HIGHLY COMBAT READY AND
 UNIFORMLY OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK WHICH SHOT AND SET FIRE
 TO ONE AMERICAN WARSHIP. THE 130TH COMPANY FIRED 60 ROUNDS WITH
 SIX HITTING THE TARGET, THE 100TH FIRED 22 ROUNDS WITH TWO
 HITTING THE TARGET. ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.
 PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ON THE BATTLEFIELD ARE SECURE. THE
 PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND RECOMMENDS THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT
 MEDAL 3RD CLASS FOR THE TWO UNITS.

-GUERRILLA FORCES OF MAI HOA VILLAGE, TUYEN HOA DISTRICT
 AT 0940 HOURS ON 2 AUGUST, AN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE
 VILLAGE - A 12.7MM DETACHMENT WITH A HEIGHTENED SPIRIT OF
 VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS, QUICKLY OPENED FIRE AND
 PULVERIZED ONE F-4C AIRCRAFT, A FIRST FOR THE VILLAGE.
 ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. DURING THE BATTLE, TWO
 12.7MM WEAPONS FIRED 37 ROUNDS. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE
 SECURE.

-GUERRILLA FORCES OF LONG BINH VILLAGE - QUANG BINH DISTRICT
 AT 1610 HOURS ON 8 AUG A NUMBER OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT SORTIES
 ATTACKED A TRANSPORTATION AXIS AND THE CAPITAL AREA, COMMITTING
 NUMEROUS CRIMES. A 12.7MM DETACHMENT IN LONG BINH, WITH
 INTENSIFIED HATRED FOR THE ENEMY, OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER-ATTACK
 WHICH PULVERIZED ONE AMERICAN F-4, AN OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.
 ACKNOWLEDGED BY HIGHER HEADQUARTERS. THE BATTLE INVOLVED TWO

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12.7MM WEAPONS FIRING 30 ROUNDS. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.

-RADAK PLATOON, 4TH COMPANY, 94TH REGIMENT, 351ST DIVISION IN ORDER TO MOBILIZE THE CADRE AND WARRIORS, THE UNIT EXAMINED THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE COMBAT PROCESS, TO SUPPORT THE WAR IN QUANG BINH. THE UNIT RAISED ITS SPIRIT TO OVERCOME ADVERSITY, FIRMLY GRASPING THE ENEMY SITUATION DAY AND NIGHT, QUICKLY ACQUIRING TARGETS WITH ACCURACY, CREATING CONDITIONS FOR ALL COMBAT ARTILLERY UNITS TO FIRE ON AND SET ABLAZE AMERICAN WARSHIPS, SUCH AS DURING THE BATTLE FROM 5 TO 8 AUG 72.

THROUGHOUT EVERY BATTLE, PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE. 19 AUG 72 - RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS FOR QJANG PHONG VILLAGE, QJANG TRACH DISTRICT

AT 1330 ON 23 JUL QUANG PHONG VILLAGE ALONG WITH QUANG LONG VILLAGE SHOT DOWN AN F-4 BY THE SPJT. FORMERLY, ONLY TWO COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS 2ND CLASS WERE RECOMMENDED ACCORDING TO MESSAGE NUMBER 19 DATED 29 JUL.

NOW, RESUBMIT A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS FOR THE TWO VILLAGES QUANG LONG AND QJANG PHONG. TWO COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS 3. MR HEADQUARTERS MESSAGE TO QUANG BINH MILITARY COMMAND 17 AUG 1972

ON 11 AUG, THE 365TH COMPANY OF QUANG TRACH MADE APPROPRIATE PREPARATIONS, HEIGHTENED VIGILANCE, FOUGHT WITH EXCELLENT MARKSMANSHIP AND DELIVERED THE APPROPRIATE PUNISHMENT TO THE AMERICAN PIRATES FOR CRIMES IN THE LOCAL AREA, BY SHOOTING DOWN ONE OF THEIR HELICOPTERS. THIS WAS THE FIRST ARMED AMERICAN HELICOPTER TO BE SHOT DOWN IN THE MILITARY REGION DURING THE NEW WAR OF DESTRUCTION.

MR HEADQUARTERS ENTHUSIASTICALLY AND WARMLY RECOGNIZES THIS ACHIEVEMENT BY THE 365TH COMPANY.

EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO INCREASE THEIR FERVENT HATRED FOR THE PIRATES, URGENTLY DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE, EMPLOY ADEQUATE CAMOUFLAGE, STRENGTHEN FORTIFICATIONS, SUSTAIN EXCELLENT MOBILITY, USE STRONG DIVERSIONARY TACTICS, ARE BOLD, SKILLFUL, AND AGILE IN METHODOLOGY, CREATIVE IN THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE,

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SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT, CAPTURE PIRATE AVIATORS, AND HELP CRUSH THE ENEMIES SCHEME TO USE HELICOPTERS TO STRIKE NATIVE HOMES ALONG THE COAST, MAINTAINING CONSTANT LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS TO SUPPORT THE MARCH TOWARD VICTORY.

SIGNED, LE QUANG 10A
CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND TO: THE CADRE, MILITIA, AND 12.7MM DETACHMENT OF QJANG PHUC VILLAGE

MESSAGE RECEIVED BY COMRADE QUYET ON 28 AUG
AT 1500 HOURS ON 24 AUG 72, AMERICAN PIRATES DISPATCHED AIRCRAFT TO RECONNOITER AND BOMBARD THE LOCAL VILLAGE. COMPETING FOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN RECOGNITION OF THE AUGUST REVOLUTION AND THE 2 SEP NATIONAL RESISTANCE, A 12.7MM DETACHMENT, WITH A HEIGHTENED SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS, COURAGEOUSLY LOOKED DIRECTLY AT THE AMERICAN AIRCRAFT AND, WITH A SIMULTANEOUS VOLLEY, OPENED FIRE AND SHOT DOWN ONE AMERICAN PIRATE F-4, AN OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT WHICH AROUSED A SENSE OF PRIDE AMONG THE LOCAL POPULACE.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS WARMLY SALUTES AND CONGRATULATES THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENTS OF EVERY COMRADE.

EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE IN A TIMELY MANNER, MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO INCREASE PRECISE TACTICAL TRAINING, CLOSELY COORDINATE, FIGHT WELL AND HIT THE TARGET, SHOOT DOWN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT WITH THE FIRST SALVO, CAPTURE PIRATE AVIATORS, AND RAISE THE LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE TO ATTAIN NUMEROUS FUTURE VICTORIES.

28 AUG 72

SIGNED, NGDAN

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO QUANG PHUC VILLAGE, QJANG TRACH DISTRICT

AT 1500 HOURS ON 24 AUG 72, A 12.7MM DETACHMENT IN QUANG PHUC VILLAGE, QJANG TRACH DISTRICT SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4 WITH 21 ROUNDS FROM TWO 12.7MM WEAPONS AS THE AIRCRAFT RECONNOITERED AND STRAFED THE LOCAL AREA. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE. MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS ACCLAMATION

ON 24 AUG THE QUANG PHUC MILITIA, SKILLFULLY ATTACKED, STRIKING THE TARGET IN A TIMELY FASHION DURING A COUNTER ATTACK ON AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, AND SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4, FULFILLING AN APPROPRIATE TRIBUTE TO THE 19 AUG TO 2 SEP COMMEMORATION AND THREE YEARS OF SUCCESS DEDICATED TO THE SACRED WISHES OF CHAIRMAN HO'S LOVE AND RESPECT.

MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH

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COMRADE FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACCOMPLISHMENT - THE DUANG PHUC MILITIA CONTINUOUSLY MANIFESTS VICTORY, PROMOTING THE TRADITIONS OF A HEROIC UNIT, WITH INTENSE HAIRD FOR THE AMERICAN PIRATES AND A DETERMINATION TO REPAY, FOR COUNTRYMEN AND COMRADES, THE PIRATE AMERICAN WRECKERS, SHOOTING DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT, CAPTURING PIRATE AVIATORS, AND CLOSELY COORDINATING WITH OTHER FORCES, MAINTAINING CONSTANT LINES OF TRANSPORTATION AND RESPONDING TO EVERY FRONT LINE REQUIREMENT FOR VICTORY. AT THE SAME TIME, URGENT PREPARATIONS MUST BE MADE TO REALISTICALLY SUPPORT THE PROVINCE IN EVERY RESPECT TO DEFEAT EVERY OTHER MILITARY ADVENTURISM BY THE NIXON CLIQUE.

SIGNED, LE QUANG HOA

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE DUC NINH SENIOR CITIZEN FORCES

21 SEP 72 - DISPLAYING TRADITION THROUGH FOUR YEARS OF DESTRUCTIVE WARFARE. AT 0757 HOURS ON 15 SEP, THE SENIOR CITIZEN DETACHMENT ON DUTY IN DUC NINH, WITH VIGILANCE AND A HEIGHTENED STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN A-7, WHICH CRASHED OFF THE COAST, EAST OF BAO NINH. IN ALL, 75 ROUNDS WERE FIRED. THE BATTLEFIELD ENCOMPASSED A DEPLOYMENT AT THE BINH PHUC MARKET, DUC NINH. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ON THE BATTLEFIELD ARE SECURE.

PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

AT 0757 HOURS ON 15 SEP, THE SENIOR CITIZEN DETACHMENT ON DUTY IN DUC NINH SKILLFULLY ATTACKED, AND QUICKLY STRUCK THE TARGET, AS THEY OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK ON AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, DOWNING AN AMERICAN A-7, AN OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES THE PATRIARCHS FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACCOMPLISHMENT. EVERY SENIOR CITIZEN HAS CONTINUED TO DISPLAY TRADITION THROUGH FOUR YEARS OF DESTRUCTIVE WARFARE, COMPETITIVELY SHOOTING DOWN, AND SETTING ABLAZE NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT.

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS
28 SEP

-THE TRUNG TRACH VILLAGE FEMALE PLATOON, BO TRACH DISTRICT 17 AUG AT 1750 HOURS A NUMBER OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT SORTIES ATTACKED THE LOCAL AREA - WITH VIGILANCE AND A TYPICALLY HIGH STATE OF COMBAT READINESS - THE TRUNG TRACH FEMALE PLATOON OPENED FIRE IN A TIMELY COUNTER ATTACK AND SHOT DOWN AN F-4 SOME DISTANCE EAST OF LY HOA. 47 ROUNDS EXPENDED. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SECURE.

-THE PHONG THUY VILLAGE COMBAT PLATOON, LE THUY DISTRICT AT 0712 HOURS ON 22 SEP, WITH VIGILANCE AND A HEIGHTENED STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, THE 12.7MM PHONG THUY VILLAGE COMBAT PLATOON OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK WHICH SHOT AND SET ABLAZE AN F-4 THAT CRASHED AT SEA. THE PIRATE AVIATOR WAS SEEN PARACHUTING FROM THE AIRCRAFT. 45 ROUNDS FROM THREE 12.7MM

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WEAPONS WERE EXPENDED. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.
-THE MAI THUY AND PHU THUY VILLAGE DETACHMENTS - LE THUY DISTRICT AT 2147 HOURS ON 21 SEP, A NUMBER OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT SORTIES ATTACKED THE LOCAL AREA. THE MAI THUY AND PHU THUY VILLAGE COMBAT DETACHMENTS WITH VIGILANCE AND A HEIGHTENED STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, CLOSELY COORDINATED IN A SIMULTANEOUS SALVO, OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK THAT SHOT DOWN AN F-4. 263 ROUNDS FROM 10 12.7MM WEAPONS AND 65 ROUNDS FROM TWO 37MM WEAPONS WERE EXPENDED. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.

RECOMMEND MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS CONSIDER AWARDED THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO MAI THUY AND PHU THUY VILLAGES.

SIGNED, COMMANDER NGOAN

PERSONNEL ROSTER OF THE DUC NINH SENIOR CITIZEN MILITIA

NGUYEN NGOC BAY	OVER 59	PARTY MEMBER COMMANDER
DANG BIU	OVER 55	PARTY MEMBER VICE COMMANDER
DANG THON	59	PARTY MEMBER POLITICAL OFFICER
TRAN THEM	61	SOLDIER
DANG OI	55	SOLDIER

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TRAN ONG	70	SOLDIER
DANG DIEU	70	SOLDIER
DANG CHONG	63	SOLDIER
NGUYEN LY	65	SOLDIER
NGUYEN LO	55	SOLDIER

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE 5TH MILITIA COMPANY

AT 1635 HOURS ON 22 SEP, THE 5TH AAA MILITIA COMPANY SHOT DOWN AN F-4. 103 ROUNDS FROM SIX 14.5MM WEAPONS WERE EXPENDED. REPORTED - SECURE.

RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE 3RD AAA MILITIA COMPANY

AT 0635 HOURS ON 26 SEP, AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE HOV LA AREA. WITH A SENSE OF HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS AND UNYIELDING COURAGE, THE 3RD COMPANY, 9TH BATTALION, OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK THAT SHOT DOWN AN A-7 WHICH CRASHED ONE KILOMETER EAST OF HOV GIO. REPORTED. 45 ROUNDS EXPENDED. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SECURE.

RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE DONG HOI DETACHMENT

AT 1122 HOURS ON 26 SEP, THE COMBAT DETACHMENT ON DUTY IN DONG HOI, WITH CLOSE COORDINATION, SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4 - ROUNDS EXPENDED: 89 14.5MM, 318 12.7MM, 56 37MM. (REPORTED VIA RADIO AT 2300 HOURS ON 28 SEP) PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SECURE. PERSONNEL ROSTER OF THE NGU THUY FEMALE MILITIA (FORMER)

1. TRAN THI THANH THAN - POLITICAL OFFICER
2. NGO THI KIM THE - POLITICAL MEMBER
3. NGO THI KIM KHA - POLITICAL MEMBER
4. NGUYEN THI THANH THOI - POLITICAL OFFICER
5. NGO THI CAI - SECRETARY
6. NGO THI NGU - HQ SECRETARY
7. NGUYEN THI VE - STAFF TECHNICIAN
8. NGUYEN THI CHAP - GUN CREW LEADER
9. NGUYEN THI GANG - SECRETARY
10. NGUYEN THI OYEN - SECRETARY
11. TRAN THI TAT - MANAGEMENT
12. PHU THI BA - SECRETARY
13. TRAN THI KIEU - OPERATIONS
14. TRAN THI TRAM - OPERATIONS
15. NGUYEN THI XIEU - INTEL
16. NGUYEN THI GIAO - SECRETARY

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17. TRAN THI XU - OPERATIONS
18. NGUYEN THI DAO - MANAGEMENT
19. NGUYEN THI THOI - COMMS SQUAD LEADER
20. NGO THI LAM - RECON SQUAD LEADER
21. TRAN THI KIM DINH - SECRETARY
22. TRAN THI KIM LO - SECRETARY
23. NGUYEN THI MAI - SECRETARY
24. NGUYEN THI CHAM - GUN CREW LEADER
25. NGUYEN THI KE - LOGISTICS
26. NGO THI TAN - COMMS

27. NGUYEN THI KHIEU - COMMS
28. NGUYEN THI LAM - LOGISTICS
29. NGO THI THAT - LOGISTICS
30. NGUYEN THI KIM THU - STAFF
31. NGO THI BIEN - STAFF
32. TRAN THU LY - LOGISTICS
33. NGUYEN THI THOI - COMMS SQUAD LEADER
34. NGUYEN THI THUY - RECON
35. TRAN THI TRUNG - COMMS
36. TRAN THI LIEU - INTEL
37. TRAN THI THIEU - OPERATIONS

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 1ST CLASS TO THE DONG HOI AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACTORY SELF DEFENSE FORCE
6 OCT 72

AT 1440 HOURS ON 5 OCT, ONE SQUAD OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CONDUCTED RECONNAISSANCE OVER THE DONG HOI AREA BUT DID NOT HAVE THE TIME TO COMMIT ANY CRIMES. THE DONG HOI AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACTORY'S SELF DEFENSE UNIT, WITH VIGILANCE AND A HEIGHTENED STATE OF COMBAT READINESS, USED THREE 14.5MM WEAPONS AND OPENED FIRE IN A SIMULTANEOUS SALVO WHICH SHOT DOWN ONE RF-4C ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURED ALIVE TWO AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS - 50 ROUNDS EXPENDED. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE.

SIGNED, COMMANDER NGOAN
COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE 9TH 95MM ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 2330 HOURS ON 29 SEP, ARRIVED OFF THE COAST OF SOUTHERN QUANG BINH AND FIRED ARTILLERY ON THE CIVILIAN POPULACE. THE 9TH ARTILLERY COMPANY OPENED FIRE IN A COUNTER ATTACK THAT LEFT ONE AMERICAN WARSHIP IN FLAMES. 30 ROUNDS FIRED, FOUR HIT THE TARGET. REPORTED VIA RADIO. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ARE SECURE. MILITARY REGION HEADQUARTERS MESSAGE TO QUANG BINH MILITARY COMMAND

DURING BOMBING, DIFFICULTY, AND HARDSHIP THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACTORY'S SELF DEFENSE FORCES HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A RESOUNDING VICTORY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CAMPAIGN TO SHOOT DOWN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT INITIATED BY THE MILITARY REGION. ON 5 OCT, THEY SKILLFULLY ATTACKED, FIRING WITH EXTREME MARKSMANSHIP,

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INFLECTING JUST PUNISHMENT ON THE AMERICAN PIRATES WHO CAME TO COMMIT CRIMES IN THE LOCAL AREA, AND DOWNED ONE OF THEIR FIGHTERS ON THE SPOT. THIS IS THE MOST OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT SINCE THE REGION REOPENED THIS CAMPAIGN AND DELIVERS A PAINFUL AND PERILOUS MESSAGE TO THE AMERICAN AIR FORCE.

MR HEADQUARTERS WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT.

THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACTORY'S SELF DEFENSE UNIT, LIKE ALL OF THE QUANG BINH ARMED FORCES, CONTINUOUSLY EXHIBIT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, URGENTLY DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE, ACTIVELY CONDUCT INTENSE RESEARCH TO IMPROVE METHODS OF FIGHTING, ELEVATING THEIR COMBAT EFFICIENCY TO GREATER LEVELS, ARE DEDICATED TO SELF-IMPROVEMENT TO SHOOT DOWN ENEMY AIRCRAFT ANY TIME, ANY PLACE, CAPTURE PIRATE AVIATORS, AND RAPIDLY INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN TO OVER 4000 IN NORTHERN VIETNAM AND 700 IN THE PROVINCE.

SIGNED, LE QUANG HOA
MILITARY REGION MESSAGE RI -

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SENT TO THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACTORY'S SELF DEFENSE FORCES. A MONUMENT, THE LIKE OF WHICH HAS NEVER EXISTED.

SIGNED, DUONG

RECOMMEND THE POSTHUMOUS AWARD OF THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE FOLLOWING DECEASED HEROES DEPLOYED TO HON LA, QUANG TRACH

((READ: NAME, DOB, RANK, POSITION, DOE, UNIT, HOME TOWN))

1. PHAM MINH DAP, FEB 35, PLATOON DEPUTY COMMANDER, JULY 66, 45TH BN, QUANG HUNG, QUANG TRACH
2. NGUYEN HONG LON, OCT 52, PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, MAY 70, 45TH BN, THANH TRACH, BO TRACH
3. HO MINH CAN, OCT 48, PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, JAN 71, 45TH BN, NGHE THUY, LE THUY
4. NGUYEN VAN LUOT, -, PRIVATE 2ND CLASS, JAN 72, 45TH BN, QUANG XUAN, QUANG TRACH
5. NGUYEN XUAN HOA, NOV 52, PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, AUG 70, 45TH BN, QUANG PHUC, QUANG TRACH
6. TRAN VAN TRI, DEC 53, PRIVATE 2ND CLASS, JAN 72, 45TH BN, QUANG DONG, QUANG TRACH
7. PHAM CONG THANH, APR 50, PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, NOV 70, 363RD COMPANY BJ TRACH, 4AI TRACH, BO TRACH
8. PHAM NAM PHU, JAN 47, PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, JAN 70, 48TH INFANTRY COMPANY, DONG PHU, DONG HOI

SIGNED, COMMANDER NGOAN

SENT ON 12 OCT 72

29 OCT 1972

1. RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE MAIN 12.7MM UNIT OF CANH DUNG VILLAGE, QUANG TRACH DISTRICT FOR SHOOTING DOWN AN F-4 AT 1515 HOURS ON 18 OCT 72 WITH 17 ROUNDS EXPENDED.

2. RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO THE DONG TRUNG 14.5MM MILITIA (8 WEAPONS) AND THE DUY VINH VILLAGE QUANG BINH DISTRICT 12.7MM MILITIA (3 WEAPONS) FOR SHOOTING DOWN AN F-4 (RECON) THREE KILOMETERS EAST OF DUY VINH AT 1745 HOURS ON 19 OCT 1972. 45 ROUNDS OF 14.5MM AND 35 ROUNDS OF 12.7MM AMMUNITION EXPENDED.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE.

TO THE CADRE AND GUERRILLA FORCES OF DUY VINH VILLAGE AT 1715 HOURS ON 16 OCT 72, AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE LOCAL AREA. WITH A PERMANENT SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, THE 12.7MM DETACHMENT ON DUTY OPENED FIRE IN AN ACCURATE COUNTER ATTACK, SHOOTING DOWN AN AMERICAN

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THE MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THEIR COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT. THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS CONTINUE TO BE STUBBORN - IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO THE GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL OF 26 OCT, TO COORDINATE THE ENTIRE COUNTRY'S MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POPULACE'S RESOLVE TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE PIRATE AMERICAN INVASION AND THE LACKEY CLIQUE, EVERY COMRADE MUST HEIGHTEN THEIR SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS TO EVEN GREATER LEVELS, DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE TO QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE NUMEROUS AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS - DETERMINEDLY COMPETE TO SHOOT DOWN THE 700TH AIRCRAFT, PRESERVING THE HONOR OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. SIGNED, COMMANDER, QUANG BINH MILITARY COMMAND, NGOAN CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

TO THE CADRE AND SOLDIERS OF THE 2 SEP UNIT

AT 1010 HOURS ON 26 OCT 72, NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT SORTIES ATTACKED LOCAL RESIDENTS. WITH A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS, EACH UNIT, WITH SKILL AND COURAGE, ACCURATELY AND VICIOUSLY COUNTER ATTACKED AND SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4, RESULTING IN A GLORIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT.

MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT. THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS CONTINUE TO BE OBSTINATE AND SHREWD. IN ORDER TO CORRECTLY RESPOND TO THE GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL OF 26 OCT, TO COORDINATE THE ENTIRE COUNTRY'S MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POPULACE'S RESOLVE TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE PIRATE AMERICAN INVASION AND THE LACKEY CLIQUE, EVERY COMRADE MUST HEIGHTEN THEIR SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS TO EVEN GREATER LEVELS, TO ACCURATELY SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE NUMEROUS AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS - DETERMINEDLY COMPETE TO SHOOT DOWN THE 700TH AIRCRAFT, PRESERVING THE INDIVIDUAL UNIT'S HONOR. SIGNED, NGOAN

TO: THE CADRE AND SOLDIERS OF THE 10TH 85MM ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 1320 HOURS ON 26 OCT, THREE AMERICAN WARSHIPS, MANEUVERING NORTH TO SOUTH, INITIATED AN IRRESPONSIBLE ATTACK ON COASTAL CIVILIANS. WITH A CONSTANT SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, THEY OPENED FIRE IN JUSTIFIED RETRIBUTION, SHOOTING AND SETTING ABLAZE ONE AMERICAN WARSHIP, AN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL OF 26 OCT.

MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT, COORDINATING THE ENTIRE COUNTRY'S MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POPULACE'S RESOLVE TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE PIRATE AMERICAN INVASION AND THEIR LACKEY CLIQUE, EVERY COMRADE MUST HEIGHTEN THEIR SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND COMBAT READINESS TO EVEN GREATER LEVELS, TO SET ABLAZE AND SINK NUMEROUS AMERICAN WARSHIPS, AND REGULARLY SUPPORT THE COMPETITIVE

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PHASE AIMED AT SETTING ABLAZE AND SINKING THE 100TH AMERICAN WARSHIP BY THE PROVINCE.

TO: THE CADRE AND MILITIA OF VO VINH VILLAGE

THE CHALLENGE TO QUICKLY ADVANCE THE NUMBER OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN THE PROVINCE TO 700 AND SEIZE THE HONOR OF SHOOTING DOWN THE 700TH PLANE - AT 0815 HOURS ON 26 OCT, AN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE QUAN HAU FERRY TERMINAL AND HAMLET - WITH A SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, THE 12.7MM DETACHMENT ON DUTY, WITH SKILL AND COURAGE, ACCURATELY AND VICIOUSLY COUNTER ATTACKED AND SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4, RESULTING IN A OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT. THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS CONTINUE TO BE OBSTINATE AND SHREWD. EVERY COMRADE CONTINUES TO BE EVEN MORE VIGILANT AND COMBAT READY AT ALL TIMES TO PRECISELY EXECUTE THE GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL OF 26 OCT, TO COORDINATE THE ENTIRE COUNTRY'S MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POPULACE'S RESOLVE TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE PIRATE AMERICAN INVASION AND THE LACKEY CLIQUE.

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EACH COMRADE DRAWS FROM EXPERIENCE WITH SKILLFUL AND ACCURATE MARKSMANSHIP TO SHOOT DOWN AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS.

STRIVING FORTH IN THE COMPETITION TO SHOOT DOWN THE PROVINCE'S 700TH AIRCRAFT AND BESTOW THIS HONOR ON THEIR LOCALITY.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

TO: THE CADRE AND GUERRILLA FORCES OF THE PHUNG THUY VILLAGE MILITIA

AT 0932 HOURS ON 27 OCT, AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE LOCAL AREA. WITH A SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS THE 12.7MM DETACHMENT ON DUTY JUSTIFIABLY PUNISHED AND SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4 COMPLETING AN OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT.

MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS OUTSTANDING COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT. THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS CONTINUE TO BE OBSTINATE AND SHREWD. EVERY COMRADE CONTINUES TO BE EVEN MORE VIGILANT AND COMBAT READY AT ALL TIMES, COORDINATING THE ENTIRE COUNTRY'S MILITARY AND CIVILIAN POPULACE'S RESOLVE TO FIGHT AND DEFEAT THE PIRATE AMERICAN INVASION AND THEIR LACKEY CLIQUE. EACH COMRADE, QUICKLY DRAWING FROM EXPERIENCE, WITH BRAVERY, SKILL, AND CAPABLE FIGHTING, HAVE HIT THE TARGET WITH ACCURACY TO SHOOT DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE PIRATE AVIATORS - STRIVING FORTH IN THE COMPETITION TO SHOOT DOWN THE PROVINCE'S 700TH AIRCRAFT AND BESTOW THIS HONOR ON THEIR LOCALITY.

TO: THE CADRE AND GUERRILLA FORCES OF THE LEN THUY VILLAGE MILITIA

AT 1500 HOURS ON 23 OCT, A NUMBER OF AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ATTACKED THE LOCAL AREA. WITH A SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, THE 12.7MM DETACHMENT, WITH SKILL AND COURAGE, SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4.//

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HIT THE TARGET, AND SHOT DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT AND CAPTURE MANY AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATORS - TO QUICKLY BRING THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN THE PROVINCE UP TO 700. FROM THE PROVINCE, MILITARY COMMAND

MESSAGE DATED 2 NOV

RECOMMEND THE COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL 3RD CLASS TO TWO UNITS

1. 8TH 85MM ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 0107 HOURS ON 13 OCT, SHOT AND SET ABLAZE AN AMERICAN WARSHIP. 38 ROUND EXPENDED, FIVE HIT THE SHIP, ALL IS SECURE.

2. 10TH 85MM ARTILLERY COMPANY

AT 0900 HOURS ON 29 OCT, SHOT AND SET ABLAZE AN AMERICAN WARSHIP. 39 ROUND EXPENDED, FOUR HIT THE SHIP. ALL IS SECURE.

SIGNED, NGJAN

MESSAGE DATED 4 NOV

3. AT 2300 HOURS ON 31 OCT, THE TRUONG THUY VILLAGE MILITIA SHOT

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AND SET ABLAZE AN F-4 WHICH CRASHED AT KILOMETER MARKER 20. 225
ROUNDS EXPENDED. SECURE.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

TO: THE CADRE AND GUERRILLA FORCES OF THE HAM VINH
AT 1500 HOURS ON 3 NOV, THE AMERICAN PIRATES DISPATCHED AN
AIRCRAFT TO RECONNOITER AND ATTACK, IN A CRIMINAL ACT, THE LOCAL
AREA.

TO PRECISELY EXECUTE THE GOVERNMENT'S DECLARATION OF 26 OCT,
THE 12.7MM DETACHMENT ON DUTY, WITH A SENSE OF VIGILANCE AND
HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, CALMLY AND BRAVELY, OPENED FIRE WITH
A SIMULTANEOUS SALVO OF 55 ROUNDS AND SHOT DOWN AN AMERICAN F-4.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY SALUTES AND
CONGRATULATES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS INITIAL COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT.
THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS HAVE SUFFERED A GREAT DEFEAT BUT
CONTINUE TO BE STUBBORN AND UNDERHANDED, PERPETUATING THIS WAR OF
INVASION.

EACH COMRADE CONTINUES TO QUICKLY DRAW FROM EXPERIENCE,
MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO CAREFULLY TRAIN AND BETTER THEIR
TECHNIQUE. SHARPENING THEIR SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE, JOINING AND
STRENGTHENING THEIR COORDINATION, TO CAPABLY FIGHT, HIT THE
TARGET AND DOWN NUMEROUS AMERICAN AIRCRAFT ON THE SPOT WITH THE
INITIAL VOLLEY AND CAPTURE PIRATE AVIATORS. TO ATTAIN THE HONOR
OF SHOOTING DOWN, ON THE SPOT, THE PROVINCE'S 700TH AIRCRAFT FOR
THEIR LOCALE.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE
TO: THE CADRE AND GUERRILLA FORCES OF THE NGU THUY VILLAGE
MILITIA

AT 1330 ON 17 JAN 1973, A PIRATE AMERICAN DRONE INTRUDED ON
THE AIRSPACE OVER LE THUY. WITH A SPIRIT OF VIGILANCE AND
HEIGHTENED COMBAT READINESS, THE UNIT ON DUTY QUICKLY OPENED FIRE
AND SHOT IT DOWN ON THE SPOT - AN OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT.

THE PROVINCIAL MILITARY COMMAND WARMLY CONGRATULATES AND
SALUTES EACH COMRADE FOR THIS COMBAT ACHIEVEMENT. EACH COMRADE
CONTINUES TO BE EVEN MORE VIGILANT AND HIGHLY COMBAT READY, TO
CAPABLY FIGHT, HIT, AND CRUSH THE PROVOCATIVE SCHEMES OF THE
ENEMY, MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO CAREFULLY TRAIN TOWARD EXPERT
TACTICS IN ORDER TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY IN EVERY SITUATION.
SIGNED, MILITARY HEADQUARTERS COMMANDER, TRAM DINH VISION. /END
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FIRST P-2E (NAVAL PATROL AIRCRAFT) OVER NORTHERN VIETNAM.

(1) ON 1 JUL 66, NAVAL DETACHMENT Y SHOT AND
DAMAGED THE FIRST US VESSEL IN THE WATERS OFF OF HAI PHONG.

(2) ON 5 AUG 66, SHOT DOWN THE SIXTH US AIRCRAFT
(IN HAI PHONG PROVINCE). CHAIRMAN NO SENT A LETTER OF
COMENDATION.

(3) ON 1 NOV 66, CAPTURED ALIVE THE FIRST US PIRATE
AVIATOR (CAPTURED IN HOANG CHAU - CAT HAI).

(4) ON 27 MAR 67, SHOT DOWN AN A-6A (INTRUDER), THE
FIRST NIGHT TIME SHOOT DOWN.

(5) ON 25 APR 67, SHOT DOWN 12 AIRCRAFT, THE MOST
AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN A SINGLE DAY THROUGHOUT THE YEARS OF
RESISTANCE AGAINST THE AMERICANS, ACCOUNTING FOR THE 100TH
AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN OVER NORTHERN VIETNAM.

(6) ON 26 APR 67, THE V ARTILLERY UNIT SHOT DOWN A
HELICOPTER USING GROUND ARTILLERY.

(7) ON 26 MAY 67, SHOT DOWN THE 100TH AND 101ST US
AIRCRAFT (IN HAI PHONG PROVINCE). - SALUTED BY CHAIRMAN NO.

(8) ON 3 OCT 67, SHOT DOWN THE 150TH US AIRCRAFT
(IN HAI PHONG PROVINCE).

(9) ON 25 NOV 67, SHOT DOWN THE 260TH AIRCRAFT
OVER NORTHERN VIETNAM.

(10) ON 22 DEC 67, SHOT DOWN AN A-7, THE FIRST OF
ITS KIND OVER NORTHERN VIETNAM.

(11) ON 6 MAR 66, SHOT DOWN THE 200TH US AIRCRAFT
(IN HAI PHONG PROVINCE). - CHAIRMAN NO SENDS A LETTER OF
COMENDATION.

(12) FROM 1 APR 68 THROUGH 15 APR 72, HAI PHONG SHOT
DOWN 32 PILOTLESS US PIRATE DRONES.

(13) ON 16 APR 72, SHOT DOWN 10 US PIRATE AIRCRAFT,
AT 0720 HOURS SHOT DOWN THE FIRST B-52 BOMBER.

(14) ON 10 MAY 72, SHOT DOWN THE CITY'S 250TH

AIRCRAFT.

(15) ON 6 AUG 72, SHOT DOWN THE 300TH AIRCRAFT OVER
NORTHERN VIETNAM.

(16) ON 26 NOV 72, SHOT DOWN THE 30TH (A ZERO FROM
THIS NUMBER WAS PROBABLY TRUNCATED - I.E. 300TH OF THE PROVINCE))
AIRCRAFT (RECONNAISSANCE DRONE TYPE).

(17) ON 10 DEC 72, SHOT DOWN THE FIRST F-111
VARIABLE SWEEP WING AIRCRAFT.

(18) ON 23 DEC 72, SHOT DOWN A B-52 BOMBER, THE
800TH AIRCRAFT IN THE MILITARY REGION.

(19) ON 26 DEC 72, SHOT DOWN 2 B-52 BOMBER AIRCRAFT.

(20) TITLE: RESULTS OF US PIRATE AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY
SELF DEFENSE MILITIA FORCES: READ: DATE/UNIT DESIGNATOR/NUMBER
AND TYPE OF AIRCRAFT

(21) 17 NOV 65/THUY HUONG MILITIA/1 A0-6

(22) 07 JUL 66/CAT HAI MILITIA/1 U1 AIRCRAFT

(23) 19 JUL 66/SELF DEFENSE FORCE OF VESSEL VTS1/1

A-3J

(24) 20 JUL 66/DON LAP MILITIA/1 A-3J

(25) 25 MAY 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN TIEN LANG/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(26) 30 JUN 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN AN HAI/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(27) 17 JUL 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN THUY NGUYEN/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(28) 11 AUG 67/VIHU QUANG VILLAGE MILITIA AND STATE
FARM SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 U1 AIRCRAFT

(29) 29 AUG 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN VINH BAO/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(30) 09 SEP 67/VIHU QUANG VILLAGE MILITIA AND STATE
FARM SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 U1 AIRCRAFT

(31) 28 SEP 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN KIEN THUY/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(32) 12 OCT 67/TRAM NGO SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(33) 28 OCT 67/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN THUY NGUYEN/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(34) 20 NOV 67/VOI MOUNTAIN FEMALE UNIT/1 U1

AIRCRAFT

(35) 22 NOV 67/1 U1 AIRCRAFT

(36) 03 APR 69/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN VINH BAO/1 147J
(DRONE)

(37) 21 FEB 71/HARBOR SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 147J

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(ORONE) 01 16 APR 72/HARBOR SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 F-4
 02 16 APR 72/SELF DEFENSE FORCES ABOARD THE BACH
 DANG/1 UI AIRCRAFT
 01 18 MAY 72/HARBOR SELF DEFENSE FORCES/1 A-3J
 02 24 MAY 72/KIEN TRUC COMPANY SELF DEFENSE
 FORCES/1 UI AIRCRAFT
 00 26 JUN 72/PHUC LE VILLAGE MILITIA/1 UI AIRCRAFT
 00 06 JUL 72/AN HONG VILLAGE FEMALE MILITIA/1 UI
 AIRCRAFT
 00 14 JUL 72/CAT BA ISLAND MILITIA AND GROUP 1/1
 UI AIRCRAFT
 01 31 JUL 72/SELF DEFENSE FORCES ABOARD THE BACH
 DANG/1 A-4
 02 06 AUG 72/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN VINH BAO/1 F-111
 03 18 DEC 72/MILITIA ASSEMBLED IN VINH BAO/1 F-111
 04 19 DEC 72/HONG BANG MILITIA/1 A-7

B. PHOTOGRAPHS:

(1) PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTS AN AMERICAN PILOT, HANDS RAISED
 OVER HIS HEAD, BEING LED AT GUN POINT THROUGH A RICE PADDY. THE
 NAME QUOTE - NAME - UNQUOTE APPEARS ON HIS FLIGHT SUIT.
 CAPTION TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE - PIRATE AVIATOR,
 TALO TRANSON OYLAN, AIR FORCE CAPTAIN FLYING
 AN A-7E, SERIAL NUMBER 266-74-1443, CAPTURED ALIVE IN HAI PHONG ON
 21 DEC 1972 - UNQUOTE.
 (2) PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTS A PAIR OF VIETNAMESE RUMMAGING
 THROUGH THE WRECKAGE OF AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT. CAPTION
 TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE - AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE FROM AN
 A-7 SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT ON THE NIGHT OF 22 DEC 1972 - UNQUOTE.

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(3) PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTS TEN VIETNAMESE RUMMAGING THROUGH
 THE WRECKAGE OF AN UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT LYING ON A RICE PADDY.
 CAPTION TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE - AN A-6 AIRCRAFT
 SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT ON THE NIGHT OF 20 DEC 1972 - UNQUOTE.

C. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:

(1) FLIGHT HELMET - WHITE WITH RED STRIPE AND A RED-
 YELLOW-BLUE AND BLACK BIRD'S HEAD (POSSIBLY A FALCON) PAINTED ON
 EACH SIDE. A WHITE LETTER QUOTE - L - UNQUOTE IS PAINTED ON THE
 RED STRIPE OFF-CENTER FRONT, AND RED LETTERS QUOTE - A L - UNQUOTE
 ARE PAINTED ON THE WHITE CENTER REAR. CAPTION TRANSLATED FROM
 VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE - FLIGHT HELMET OF AN AMERICAN PIRATE
 AVIATOR THAT WAS SHOT DOWN BY THE MILITARY AND PEOPLE OF HAI PHONG
 ON 6 MAR 1968 - UNQUOTE.

(2) DARK GREEN TATTOO SHIRT WITH MAJOR'S COLLAR
 INSIGNIA AND WORK TAG. CAPTION TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE
 READS: QUOTE - SHIRT AND INSIGNIA OF MAJOR NAME
 SERIAL NUMBER DATA, A MEMBER OF THE 7TH FLEET AIR
 FORCES, INCURRED IN AN F-4H TO COMMIT CRIMES AND WAS SHOT DOWN BY
 THE HAI PHONG MILITIA AT 1800 HOURS ON 20 NOV 1967. HE HAD TO
 PERPETRATE THESE CRIMES ON HIS BIRTHDAY - UNQUOTE.

(3) GREEN FLIGHT SUIT AND A PORTION OF A WHITE
 PARACHUTE. CAPTION TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE -
 GARMENT HAVING MANY POCKETS AND A SECONDARY DRAG PARACHUTE-
 EQUIPMENT BELONGING TO AN AMERICAN PIRATE AVIATOR THAT WAS SHOT
 DOWN BY THE MILITARY AND PEOPLE OF HAI PHONG ON 1 NOV 66 IN HONG
 CHAU, CAT HAI - UNQUOTE.

D. HAND PAINTED MAP OF HAI PHONG PROVINCE DEPICTING THE
 LOCATIONS OF US AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, LIVE CAPTURES, AND PILOTS
 KILLED. THE MAP LEGEND TRANSLATED FROM VIETNAMESE READS: QUOTE -
 US AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT (SYMBOLIZED BY A BURNING
 AIRCRAFT); PIRATE AVIATORS CAPTURED ALIVE (SYMBOLIZED BY A MAN
 WITH HIS HANDS RAISED); PIRATE AVIATORS KILLED (SYMBOLIZED BY A

COFFIN WITH A CROSS ON TOP) - UNQUOTE. THE MAP SHOWS HAI PHONG
 PROVINCE DIVIDED INTO SIX DISTRICTS (TRUY NGUYEN, AN HAI, CAT HAI,
 CAT BA, AN TRUY, TIEN LANG, AND VINH BAO) AND TWO MUNICIPALITIES
 (HAI PHONG AND KIEN AN). INCIDENT TOTALS BY DISTRICT ARE PROVIDED
 BELOW:

(1) TRUY NGUYEN DISTRICT: SIX AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN AND
 THREE PILOTS CAPTURED ALIVE.
 (2) AN HAI DISTRICT: THREE AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN AND ONE
 PILOT KILLED.
 (3) CAT HAI-CAT BA DISTRICT: TWO AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN,
 ONE PILOT CAPTURED ALIVE.
 (4) AN TRUY DISTRICT: 17 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, FOUR
 PILOTS CAPTURED ALIVE, AND FIVE PILOTS KILLED.
 (5) TIEN LANG DISTRICT: FOUR AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, THREE
 PILOTS CAPTURED ALIVE, AND FOUR PILOTS KILLED.
 (6) VINH BAO DISTRICT: FOUR AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, TWO
 PILOTS CAPTURED ALIVE, AND TWO PILOTS KILLED.
 (TOTAL FOR HAI PHONG PROVINCE: 36 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN, 13 PILOTS
 CAPTURED ALIVE AND 12 PILOTS KILLED.)

4. COMMENTS:

A. ACCORDING TO THE MUSEUM'S DEPUTY DIRECTOR, ALL ITEMS ON
 DISPLAY WERE CONTRIBUTED BY THE HAI PHONG MILITARY COMMAND AND ALL
 DATA CONTAINED WITHIN THE STATISTICAL CHARTS AND THE MAP COMPILED
 FROM THE MILITARY COMMAND'S ARCHIVAL RECORDS.

B. ANALYSIS RESULTS ON THESE EXHIBITS WILL BE REPORTED
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**VIETNAMESE DOCUMENT RECEIVED DURING
 1975-76 QUANG BINH**
 PAR. 1. DURING ITERATION 14, FROM 17 JUL THROUGH 12 AUG 1991,
 JOINT INVESTIGATION TEAM TWO EXAMINED FIVE UNOFFICIAL DOCUMENTS
 PROVIDED BY THE PROVINCE TASK TEAM CONTAINING REFERENCES TO
 INCIDENTS INVOLVING AMERICAN AIRCRAFT. THE TEAM PHOTOCOPIED 56
 PAGES SELECTED FROM FOUR OF THESE DOCUMENTS. THE FOLLOWING IS A
 VERBATIM TRANSLATION OF ONE OF THESE DOCUMENTS. NOTES: THE
 ORIGIN OF THIS DOCUMENT IS UNKNOWN, BUT IT APPEARS TO BE A
 COMPILATION OF WARTIME EVENTS RECORDED IN THE DIARY OF A
 STATISTICIAN OF UNKNOWN AFFILIATION. ANALYST COMMENTS WITHIN THE
 TEXT OF THE DOCUMENT ARE INCLUDED WITHIN DOUBLE PARENS.

2. QUOTE/ (DOCUMENT TITLE) **VIETNAM DURING RESISTANCE**

(VIETNAMESE NAME) REVIEWED AND COPIED ON 5 APR 1989
 1. CRIMES OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS OVER EIGHT YEARS IN REGARD
 TO QUANG BINH

RECONNAISSANCE (STATISTICS ONLY FROM 1969-1972)

12,456 SORTIES

20,729 AIRCRAFT

INCLUDING EVERY TYPE OF RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT OF THE AIR FORCE,
 NAVY, DRONES, ELECTRONIC, PROP DRIVEN, HELICOPTER, AND HIGH

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AIR STRIKES

TOTAL	:	77,561
DAY	:	37,052
NIGHT	:	35,099

AMONG THESE THERE WERE 736 B-52 STRIKES WITH 310 SORTIES, 2,427
 AIRCRAFT.

GUNSDAT ATTACKS:

TOTAL	:	2,544
DAY	:	1,020
NIGHT	:	1,524

ENEMY BOMBS DROPPED:

-TOTAL BOMBS OF EVERY CATEGORY: 1,384,753

INCLUDING:

GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS	:	1,329,325
INCENDIARY BOMBS	:	4,096
SMART BOMBS	:	14,210
LASER GUIDED BOMBS	:	589
DELAYED FUSE BOMBS	:	14,903
CLUSTER BOMBS (JUNIT)	:	20,930

-ROCKETS

23,534

-20 MM

9,749

-MISSILES

737

-MORTAR SHELLS

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-TOXIC CHEMICAL

137,360

-GUMBUAT SHELLS

1,357,417

TAKING THE 1968 POPULATION OF QUANG BINH AT 400,000 THEN

CALCULATE:

-FOR EVERY PERSON THERE WERE 3.5 BOMBS (574 KILOGRAMS) EXPENDED

-FOR EVERY 10 PERSONS THERE WERE 3.5 SHELLS EXPENDED

-FOR EVERY 100 PERSONS THERE WERE NEARLY NINE ROCKETS, 20 MM

SHELLS EXPENDED

-ON AVERAGE EACH KILOMETER WAS HIT WITH

-158 BOMBS

-3 ROCKETS

-1 20 MM ROUND

-15 SHELLS

TOTAL PERSONS KILLED: 13,756

-AMONG THESE FROM 65-68 THERE WERE: 2,605 CHILDREN

TOTAL PERSONS INJURED: 22,456

AMONG THESE FROM 65-68 THERE WERE: 2,532 CHILDREN

CIVILIAN HOUSES DESTROYED: 93,712

WATER BUFFALO KILLED: 14,774

PIGS KILLED: 20,230

RICE LOST: 4,311.2 TONS

CULTIVATION ACREAGE LOST (HECTARES): 5,394

FOOT BRIDGES DESTROYED: 254

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FOOT PATHS DESTROYED: 266.2 KILOMETERS
 MOTOR BOATS DAMAGED: 35
 FERRIES DAMAGED: 57
 --SAMPANS DAMAGED: 1,537
 VEHICLES DAMAGED, BURNED: 1,246
 SPECIAL FORCES ESPIONAGE AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE ACTIVITIES:
 -SPECIAL FORCES INFILTRATION BY AIR: 27 INCIDENTS
 -SPECIAL FORCES INFILTRATION BY FOOT: 2 INCIDENTS
 TOTAL PERSONNEL 100
 CAPTURED: 68
 KILLED: 16
 TOTAL: 84
 SPECIAL FORCES ACTIVITIES BY BOAT:
 TOTAL : 537
 DAY : 67
 NIGHT : 465
 -SABOTAGE OPERATIONS:
 INCIDENTS INVOLVING CAPTURED FISHERMEN: 34
 NUMBER OF PERSONS CAPTURED BY THE ENEMY: 87 (THESE PERSONS WERE RETURNED)
 NUMBER OF VESSELS ATTACKED: 11
 NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED: 2
 -FROGMAN SPECIAL OPERATIONS:
 TOTAL PERSONNEL INVOLVED: 4 INCIDENTS
 CAPTURED BY THE VIETNAMESE: 2
 KILLED BY THE VIETNAMESE: 2
 TOTAL: 4
 -PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE
 LEAFLETS DROPPED BY AIRCRAFT: 97 OCCURRENCES
 PSYCHOLOGICAL TRANSMITTERS DROPPED: 1,327 UNITS
 FALSE DEFEAT INFORMATION DROPPED: 5 OCCASIONS
 LOUD SPEAKER USAGE: 1 OCCASION
 -133 VILLAGES AND 459 HAMLETS WERE ATTACKED AMONG THESE THERE WERE: ONE CITY AND ONE DISTRICT SEAT WHICH WERE RAZED ALONG WITH 31 VILLAGES AND 252 HAMLETS WHICH WERE ATTACKED WITH THE INTENT TO ERADICATE.
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 OTHER INCIDENTS OF DESTRUCTION PERPETRATED BY THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS:
 1 APR 65: THE CAU DAT BRIDGE: 44 KILLED
 14 FEB 67: ONE SALVO INTO A POINT IN QUY HAI, HIEN THUY VILLAGE: 40 KILLED, 50 WOUNDED, 100 HOUSES DAMAGED
 27 SEP 67: BOMBING IN VINH TRINH, VINH VINH VILLAGE HIT A NURSERY SCHOOL KILLING 17 CHILDREN AND INJURING 5
 29 SEP 67: SIX BOMBS ALONG THE GIA NINH SECTION OF NATIONAL ROUTE 1 STUCK A VEHICLE BELONGING TO KB (VINH LINH) KILLING 42 AND INJURING 2
 2 JAN 68: 35 BOMBS FELL ON KHUONG SON KILLING 33 INJURING 58 AND DAMAGING 58 HOUSES
 1 MAY 70: 110 FRAGMENTATION BOMBS AND 30 CLUSTER BOMBS FELL ON NGHE THUY, LE VINH KILLING 22 (12 CHILDREN), INJURING 14 (8 CHILDREN), DESTROYING 53 HOUSES, ONE DAY CARE CENTER, ONE NURSERY, A HAMLET SCHOOL, AND A VILLAGE CLINIC
 2 JAN 73: AT 1330 HOURS (GOLF) THREE B-52'S BOMBED QUANG SON KILLING 102 (14 OLD MEN, 23 WOMEN, AND 41 CHILDREN), INJURING 109 (12 OLD MEN, 28 WOMEN, AND 42 CHILDREN), DAMAGING 150 HOUSES, AND DESTROYING 20 TONS OF FOODSTUFF, 20 HECTARES OF RICE, AND KILLING 50 WATER BUFFALO
 13 JAN 73: THREE AIR ATTACKS ON THE THANH TRACH DUJET THANG VILLAGE COOPERATIVE KILLED 80 (30 CIVILIANS, 50 WORKERS) AND INJURED 75
 2/GLORIOUS VICTORIES
 STRIKES ON ENEMY AIRCRAFT:
 -TOTAL AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN THE PROVINCE: 704
 -INCLUDING 31 TYPES OF AIRCRAFT WITH 3 B-52'S, 3 F-111'S
 -THE INITIAL AIRCRAFT MODELS SHOT DOWN WERE THE F-105D, F-84, F-28, RF-101, F-104, F-100D, A-30, A-3J, RF-4C, OH-50A.
 -SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT: 185 PLUS 7 EQUALS 192 ((ANALYST COMMENT: THE NO. PLUS NO. EQUALS NO. FORMAT EQUATES TO DAY PLUS NIGHT EQUALS TOTAL))
 -SHOT DOWN AT RIGHT: 52 PLUS ((NOT VISIBLE)) EQUALS ((NOT VISIBLE))
 -SHOT DOWN IN THE YEAR
 1964: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1965: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1966: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1967: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1968: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1969: ((NOT VISIBLE))
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1971: ((NOT VISIBLE))
 1972: ((NOT VISIBLE))

INCLUDED IN THE 734 TOTAL
 -SHOT DOWN BY REGULAR FORCES: 412
 -SHOT DOWN BY LOCAL FORCES: 165
 -SHOT DOWN BY CIVIL DEFENSE: 127

MILESTONES OF THE REPORTING VICTORY:

14 JUL 65: GIANG RIVER NAVAL FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 100TH ACFT
 13 JUN 66: QUANG PHUC CIVIL DEFENSE SHOT DOWN THE 200TH ACFT
 30 JUL 67: DUONG THUY CIVIL DEFENSE SHOT DOWN THE 300TH ACFT
 6 APR 68: LOC NINH FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 400TH ACFT
 4 AUG 68: 214TH AAA REGIMENT SHOT DOWN THE 500TH ACFT
 30 JUL 71: REGULAR FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 600TH ACFT
 1 DEC 72: THE 217TH, 218TH OUTPOSTS, AND QUANG NINH CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES OF LE THUY SHOT DOWN THE 700TH ACFT
 25 JUN 68: 8357 UNIT OF MINH HOA SHOT DOWN THE 3,000TH ACFT OVER NORTHERN VIETNAM
 20 JUN 72: SAM FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 3,500TH ACFT OVER NORTH VIETNAM
 12 JAN 73: QUANG BINH FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 704TH ACFT OVER THE PROVINCE, THE 4,131ST ACFT OVER NORTH VIETNAM * THUS CONCLUDING THE AMERICAN IMPERIALIST WAR OF DESTRUCTION
 20 OCT 68: THE DUY VINH SELF DEFENSE FORCES SHOT DOWN THE 100TH ACFT DOWNED BY THE PROVINCIAL CIVIL DEFENSE PROVINCIAL ARMED FORCES ALONG SHOT DOWN: 292 ACFT (INCLUDING 2 F-111'S)

YEARLY SHOOT DOWN TOTALS:

1965:	50
1966:	65
1967:	56
1968:	81
1972:	40
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TOTAL:	292

DAY/NIGHT SHOOT DOWNS:

1965: TOTAL:	50	DAY:	45	NIGHT:	4
1966: TOTAL:	65	DAY:	50	NIGHT:	9
1967: TOTAL:	56	DAY:	45	NIGHT:	11
1968: TOTAL:	81	DAY:	65	NIGHT:	16
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---	252	---	212	---	40
1972: TOTAL:	40	---	30	---	4
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TOTAL:	292	DAY:	288	NIGHT:	44

UNITS WHICH SHOT DOWN AIRCRAFT:

LOCAL AAA FORCES	: 97
INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY FORCES	: 84
LOCAL MILITIA FORCES	: 91

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CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES : 11
 LOCAL FARMER / ARMED CIVILIANS : 25

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WEAPON TYPES USED IN SHOOT DOWNS:

37MM AAA (SINGLE BARREL)	: 94
REGULAR 14.5MM	: 5
12.7MM	: 138
HEAVY/MEDIUM MACHINE GUN	: 48
RIFLE	: 7
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TOTAL	292

SHOT DOWN OR THE SPOT: 58
 SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY LOCAL FORCES:
 TOTAL SHOOT DOWNS : 188 PLUS 17 EQUALS 165 (INCLUDING 1 F-111)
 ON THE SPOT SHOOT DOWNS: 13
 NIGHT TIME SHOOT DOWNS : 10
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 SPECIFIC UNITS:
 MILITIA AAA : 11 PLUS 5 EQUALS 88
 29TH AAA BN : 2 EQUALS 2
 15TH AAA BN : 5 EQUALS 5
 17TH AAA BN : 2 EQUALS 2
 7TH ARTY CO : 1 EQUALS 1
 8TH ARTY CO : 1 EQUALS 1
 9TH ARTY CO : 1 EQUALS 1
 10TH ARTY CO : 1 PLUS 1 EQUALS 2
 12.7MM BN : 1 EQUALS 1
 45TH BN : 11 PLUS 2 EQUALS 13
 46TH BN : 7 EQUALS 7
 49TH BN : 11 EQUALS 11
 48TH CO : 2 PLUS 1 EQUALS 3
 361ST CO : 5 EQUALS 5
 362ND CO : 5 EQUALS 5
 363RD CO : 2 EQUALS 2
 365TH CO : 4 PLUS 1 EQUALS 5
 366TH CO : 2 EQUALS 2
 367TH CO : 3 EQUALS 3
 368TH CO : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 359TH CO : 1 EQUALS 1

103 PLUS 17 EQUALS 165
 LOCAL FORCES SHOOT DOWNS:

AAA : 97
 ARTILLERY : 5
 INFANTRY : 63
 WEAPON TYPES USED IN LOCAL FORCES SHOOT DOWNS:

37MM AAA : 20
 14.5MM : 3
 12.7MM : 52
 HEAVY MACHINE GUN : 6
 SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES:
 TOTAL SHOOT DOWNS : 104 PLUS 23 EQUALS 127 (INCLUDING 1 F-411)
 ON THE SPOT SHOOT DOWNS : 55
 NIGHT TIME SHOOT DOWNS : 29
 THERE WERE 77/133 VILLAGE AND 10 INDEPENDENT CIVIL DEFENSE UNITS INVOLVED IN SHOOT DOWNS.
 WEAPON TYPES USED IN CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES SHOOT DOWNS:
 RIFLES : 7

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MEDIUM/HEAVY MACHINE GUN : 42
 12.7MM : 76
 14.5MM : 2
 ALERT UNIT SHOOT DOWNS : 102
 FARMER / ARMED CIVILIAN SHOOT DOWNS : 25
 YEARLY SHOOT DOWN TOTALS:

1965: 12
 1966: 19
 1967: 22
 1968: 31
 1972: 23

LOCALITY SHOOT DOWNS:

LE THUY : 32
 QUANG BINH : 23
 BU TRACH : 23
 TUYEN HOA : 13
 MINH HOA : 5
 PROVINCIAL CAPITAL : 0
 QUANG TRACH : 25

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SIX VILLAGE AND ONE INDEPENDENT CIVIL DEFENSE UNIT SHOT DOWN FOUR AIRCRAFT

AIRCRAFT
 DUC BINH : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 VO BINH : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 LUC BINH : 2 PLUS 2 EQUALS 4
 CANH DUNG : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 QUANG DUNG : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 QUANG PHUC : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 VIET TRUNG STATE FARM : 3 PLUS 1 EQUALS 4
 10 VILLAGE INDEPENDENT UNITS SHOT DOWN THREE AIRCRAFT
 QUANG THUY : 3
 THANH THUY : 3
 PHONG THUY : 2 PLUS 1 EQUALS 3
 BAO BINH : 3
 DAI TRACH : 3
 QUANG THO : 3
 NGU THUY : 1 PLUS 2 EQUALS 3
 TRUNG TRACH : 2 PLUS 1 EQUALS 3
 TIEN HOA : 3
 LE HOA : 3
 FIVE FEMALE UNITS SHOT DOWN 15 AIRCRAFT
 TIEN HOA : 2
 LE HOA : 2
 VO BINH : 1 PLUS 1
 QUAN BINH : 2
 THANH THUY : 1

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QUANG PHUC : 1 (NGUYEN THI XUAN) (FEMALE'S NAME)
 CANH DUONG : 2
 TRUNG TRACH : 1 PLUS 1
 PHONG THUY : 1

-TWO SEVIOR CITIZEN UNITS SHOT DOWN THREE AIRCRAFT
 17 DEC 67 - DJI MINH : 1 F-4 (NIGHT)
 0957 (GULF)-16 SEP 72 - DJI MINH : 1 A-7
 13 JAN 68 - MAI THUY : 1 F-4
 QUANG DUNG YOUTH UNIT SHOT DOWN TWO AIRCRAFT
 13 MAY 68: 1 A-4
 1 AUG 68: 1 F-4 (NIGHT)

GOOD EXAMPLES ILLUSTRATING THE HEROISM DISPLAYED BY THE
 PROVINCIAL ARMED FORCES WHILE SHOOTING DOWN AIRCRAFT
 5 AUG 64 NAVAL, MILITIA, AND CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES ALONG THE
 BANKS OF THE GIANG RIVER SHOT DOWN TWO US AIRCRAFT (THE THIRD
 AIRCRAFT IN THE MILITARY REGION AND THE 8TH IN NORTHERN VIETNAM)
 OPENING THE WAY FOR VICTORY IN OPPOSITION TO FIRST OF THE
 AMERICAN IMPERIALIST'S WAR OF DESTRUCTION.
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7 JAN 1973 AT 1320 HOURS (GOLF) THE NGU THUY MILITIA SHOT DOWN
 AN AMERICAN DROVE. THIS WAS THE 704TH AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN
 QUANG BINH AND MARKED THE VICTORIOUS CONCLUSION TO THE SECOND
 PHASE OF OPPOSITION TO THE AMERICAN IMPERIALIST WAR OF
 DESTRUCTION AGAINST NORTH VIETNAM.

THE WOMEN OF XUAN VINH DURING A 17 DAY PERIOD SHOT DOWN 2
 AIRCRAFT (6 APR 68 ONE F-4 ON THE SPOT, AND 22 APR 68 ONE F-4 ON
 THE SPOT).

THE TIEN HOA MILITIA ASCENDED A 907 METER HILL AND SET UP A QUOTE
 GUN BARREL UNQUOTE POSITION, OVER 60 DAYS, ALONG WITH A FEMALE
 ARTY BATTERY, SHOT DOWN 3 F-4'S.

NGUYEN THI XUAN, FEMALE, QUANG PHUC VILLAGE, ON 6 FEB 67 SINGLE
 HANDEDLY SHOT DOWN AN F-4H WITH 25 ROUNDS FROM A HEAVY MACHINE
 GUN.

LE VAN DUONG FROM THAI THUY: ON (DATE NOT KNOWN) SINGLE-
 HANDEDLY SHOT DOWN AN F-100 WITH ONE ROUND FROM A RIFLE.
 NGUYEN THI TRIEN, HONG THUY VILLAGE UNIT VICE COMMANDER,
 CONDUCTED RESEARCH TO PREDICT ENEMY AIRCRAFT FLIGHT PATHS,
 COMMANDER A FEMALE UNIT WHICH SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT A NIGHT TIME
 PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT, THE FIRST IN NORTH VIETNAM (26 AUG
 57).

THE WOMEN OF VO VINH, THE FIRST FEMALE UNIT IN THE MILITARY
 REGION TO SHOOT DOWN AN F-4, CAPTURING THE PILOT (10 APR 68).
 ELDERLY OF DUC VINH, THE FIRST ELDERLY UNIT IN THE MILITARY
 REGION TO SHOOT DOWN AN AIRCRAFT (AN F-4 ON THE NIGHT OF 17 DEC
 68).

DURING FOUR YEARS IN OPPOSITION TO THE AMERICAN IMPERIALIST WAR
 OF DESTRUCTION THE PROVINCE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SETTING FIVE
 RECORDS:

- SHOT DOWN THE MOST AIRCRAFT (569)
- SHOT DOWN THE MOST MODELS OF AIRCRAFT (23 TYPES)
 (10 TYPES WERE THE FIRST OF THEIR KIND DOWNED)
- THE MOST NIGHT TIME SHOOT DOWNS (52)
- THE MOST SHOOT DOWNS BY CIVIL DEFENSE FORCES USING INFANTRY
 WEAPONS (104)
- 3MM AND/OR SET ON FIRE THE MOST GUN BOATS (45)

DURING 1972:
 -3 JUN - 6 JUL 72: LOC NVN - IN 33 DAYS TWO AIRCRAFT WERE SHOT
 DOWN

-PHU TRACH: 21 NOV 72: THE NIGHT TIME ON THE SPOT SHOT DOWN OF
 AN F-111 BY 15 12.7MM ROUNDS
 -2359 HOURS (GOLF): THE NIGHT TIME ON THE SPOT SHOT DOWN OF AN

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F-111 ON 7 NOV 72 BY AN INFANTRY UNIT.
 -MOBILE CIVIL DEFENSE FORCE IN QUANG BINH (A3) USED 50 14.5MM
 ROUNDS TO SHOOT DOWN JM THE SPOT AN RF-4E, CAPTURING TWO
 CREWMEMBERS ON 5 OCT 72.
 -355TH LOCAL FORCES COMPANY OF QUANG TRACH USED SIX HEAVY MACHINE
 GUNS TO SHOOT DOWN A HELICOPTER IN THE VICINITY OF HOV LA ISLAND
 ON 10 AUG 72 WHILE THE ENEMY INTERDICTED SUPPLY LINES.
 ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE DECEITFUL TRICKERY OF THE US GOVERNMENT, ONE
 RF-4 WAS SHOT DOWN ON THE SAME DAY (26 OCT 72). THE SAME DAY A
 NEWLY FORMED QUANG BINH MILITIA FORCE SHOT DOWN AN F-4.
 -AN ELDERLY UNIT FROM DJC NINH VILLAGE, RENOWN FOR SIGNIFICANT
 DEFENSE AGAINST THE WAR OF DESTRUCTION, PUT FORTH A PROPOSAL TO
 THE PARTY COMMITTEE REQUESTING TO SEND YOUNG PERSONNEL GOING TO
 THE FRONT LINES HOW TO SHOOT DOWN AIRCRAFT AND ON 17 DEC 68, THEY
 SHOT DOWN AN F-4 AT RIGHT. IN 1972, WHEN THE AMERICAN
 IMPERIALISTS ONCE AGAIN ATTACKED THE NORTH, THE ELDERS AGAIN
 REQUESTED TO RETURN TO DUTY. A TOTAL OF 11 OLD FOLKS, FOUR OF
 WHICH HAD TAKEN PART IN THE SHOOT DOWN FOUR YEARS EARLIER, ALONG
 WITH SOME NEW SENIOR CITIZENS RETURNED TO DUTY. THESE ELDERLY
 PERSONS TRAINED IN AROUND THE CLOCK COMBAT READINESS. AT 0957
 HOURS (GOLF) ON 15 SEP 72, THEY USED 75 12.7MM ROUNDS TO SHOOT
 DOWN AN F-7.
 -PHUC THUY VILLAGE: A VILLAGE WITH HIGH MORAL, WITH AGGRESSIVE
 METHODS OF SHOOTING DOWN ENEMY AIRCRAFT. UNDER THE DIRECT
 SUPERVISION OF THE PARTY COMMITTEE, THE VILLAGE SET UP 37MM,
 12.7MM, AND HEAVY MACHINE GUN FORCES TO STAY WATCH NIGHT AND
 DAY. THROUGHTHOUT NUMEROUS ENEMY ATTACKS THE UNIT STOOD FIRM. ON
 21 SEP 72, THE VILLAGE UNIT SHOT DOWN AN F-4.
 35 PILOTS CAPTURED

	CAPTURED	RESCUED BY THE ENEMY
1954:	4	
1965:	1	
1966:	11	4
1967:	12	2
1968:	22	1
1971:	2	1
1972:	53	5
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MESSAGE

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COUNTRY: VIETNAM (V4).

SUBJECT: ITR 5 024 0127 92/SRV AIRDEFENSE AND

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SUMMARY: THIS IS A DATA REPORT. IT PROVIDES
 HISTORICAL INFORMATION REGARDING AIRCRAFT SHOOTDOWNS,
 PILOT DEATHS AND PILOT CAPTURES IN AND SRV ADA UNITS
 WHO ARE CREDITED WITH THE KILLS.

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TEXT:

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS EXTRACTED FROM A PEOPLES ARMY OF VIETNAM PUBLISHING HOUSE BOOK ENTITLED "BAU VE BAO TROI" (AIR DEFENSE). THE BOOK WAS PUBLISHED IN VIETNAMESE IN 1982 AND WAS AUTHORED BY BRIGADIER GENERAL NGUYEN XUAN MAU (NGUYEENX XJAAV YAAUJ). THE BOOK CONSISTS OF 372 PAGES AND WAS PRINTED BY THE MILITARY PRINTING HOUSE; 22,500 COPIES PRINTED. IT IS UNCLASSIFIED AND WAS PURCHASED OPENLY IN HANOI.

2. BACKGROUND. PRIOR TO 1955, NORTH VIETNAM DID NOT HAVE ANY RADAR CAPABILITY AND USED ONLY LINE OF SIGHT SPOTTING FOR AIR DEFENSE TARGETS. IN EARLY 1957, THEY RECEIVED THE 90MM GUN, AND IN FEBRUARY 1957, VARIOUS AIR DEFENSE COMPANIES WERE CREATED AND DEPLOYED FROM HANOI TO THEIR ASSIGNED POSTS: THE 21ST AND 23RD COMPANIES MOVING TO NORTHEASTERN VIETNAM AND TO HAT PHONG; THE 15TH, 19TH, AND 24TH GOING TO THE HA NAM NINH AND THANH HOA COAST; THE 36TH GOING TO SON LA, AND THE 36TH TO DIEN BIEN PHU. IN ACCORDANCE WITH A THREE YEAR PLAN (1958-1960) FOR DEVELOPING AN AIR DEFENSE FORCE, ON 21 MAR 1958, A COMPLETE AIR DEFENSE COMMAND WAS SET UP WITH ITS STAFF, POLITICAL AND LOGISTICS DEPARTMENTS, AND A COMMAND POST EQUIPPED WITH FACILITIES CAPABLE TO ASSUME THE COMMAND OF THE FORCES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. FROM 1 MARCH 1959 ONWARD, THERE WAS A NATION-WIDE RADAR NETWORK (INCLUDING ISLANDS ON THE COAST) CAPABLE OF DETECTING ENEMY INTRUSION. EACH TIME A NEW INDUSTRIAL ZONE WAS BUILT, AN AIR DEFENSE PLAN WAS IMPLEMENTED. FOR INSTANCE, THE 210TH REGT WAS ASSIGNED TO DEFEND THE THAI NGUYEN IRON AND STEEL COMPLEX, AND THE 280TH REGT PROTECTED VINH CITY. IN 1962 A NEW RADAR REGIMENT WAS FOUNDED, THE 292ND. IN 1963, ANOTHER TWO RADAR UNITS WERE FOUNDED AND THEY STATIONED IN VIET TRI (VINH PHU PROVINCE) AND HAT CHAY, QUANG BINH PROVINCE. BY 5 AUGUST 1964, THERE WERE ALMOST TEN AAA REGIMENTS AND TWO AAA BATTALIONS WITH A VARIETY OF WEAPONS WHICH WERE POSTED IN HANOI, HAT PHONG, NAM DINH, THAI NGUYEN, VINH, VIET TRI AND BAI CHAY INCIDENTS.

3. ON 5 AUGUST 1964, FROM 1430 AND 1530 HOURS, THE ENEMY SENT IN SIX F3H, TWO A6E AND TWO A4D AIRCRAFT TO

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- J.S. AIRCRAFT LOSSES
STRIKE OUR NAVAL FORCES AT LACH TRUONG (LACHJ TRUONGCF), THANH HOA PROVINCE. THEY USED THE TACTICS OF FLYING LOW, FLYING NORTH ALONG THE SEA COAST, USING THE SAM SON (SAAAF STAN) HILL AS A SCREEN TO GET ACCESS TO THE TARGET. OUR 15TH RADAR BATTALION WHICH WAS POSITIONED HERE DETECTED THEM FROM A GOOD DISTANCE. THE 14.5 MM AAA BATTERY OF THE BATTALION CUT THEIR PATH AND BROUGHT DOWN ONE OF THEIR AIRCRAFT. AFTERWARDS, OUR NAVY TROOPS TOGETHER WITH THE POPULATION AND THE MILITIA OF LACH TRUONG SHOT DOWN TWO MORE ENEMY AIRCRAFT.

4. THE BATTLE IN HON GAI (HONF GAI), BAI CHAY (BAI CHAYS), ON 5 AUGUST 1964. AT 1400 HOURS, EIGHT ENEMY AIRCRAFT STRUCK HON GAI AND BAI CHAY. HERE, OUR 217TH BATTALION HAD RECEIVED THE ORDER TO BE IN ALERT STATUS ONE AND WAS READY MUCH IN ADVANCE. ENEMY AIRCRAFT CAME IN TWO GROUPS. THE FIRST GROUP BROKE IN FROM THE DIRECTION OF CUA STJA (CHUAR GIUWAX) AND IMMEDIATELY ATTACKED OUR VESSELS ANCHORED AT THE MILITARY PORT. OUR 142ND 86MM AAA COMPANY FAILED TO TIMELY SHOOT AT THE FIRST ENEMY AIRCRAFT, HAD TO MAKE AN ATTEMPT AT THE SECOND ONE. THE 141ST AND 143RD COMPANIES WERE POSITIONED TOO FAR AWAY AND THEREFORE COULD NOT FIRE. THE FIRE POWER OF THE 143RD COMPANY WAS FIERCE BUT NOT ACCURATE AND IT MISSED ITS TARGET. THE ENEMY FIRST FLIGHT, AFTER ATTACKING OUR VESSELS, TURNED TO ATTACK OUR 141ST COMPANY POSITION, AND THE SECOND PLANE IN THIS FLIGHT WAS SHOT DOWN BY THE 141ST COMPANY WHICH USED 14.5MM AAA GUNS. THIS PLANE WAS SET AFIRE AND CRASHED INTO THE SEA. THE PILOT, NAME, AN AMERICAN OF MEXICAN ANCESTRY, WAS TAKEN PRISONER BY THE LOCAL SELF-DEFENSE AND MILITIA FORCES, BEING HIMSELF THE FIRST PILOT TO BE TAKEN PRISONER IN NORTH VIETNAM. THE SECOND ENEMY FLIGHT CHANGED ITS DIRECTION OF ATTACK, BROADENED ITS TURNING CIRCLE AND TURNED TO APPROACH THEIR TARGETS FROM THE NORTHEASTERN

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