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PEOPLE, LOCAL TROOPS SHOOT DOWN FOUR U.S. PLANES

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Additional information discloses that on 22 and 23 October 1968, in order to punish the Americans who came to commit crimes in the local areas, the people and troops of Quang Binh, Nghe An, and Ha Tinh shot down 4 U.S. airplanes.

On 22 October militia of the 2 townships in Tuyen Hoa District, Quang Binh Province fought well. In 20 minutes they shot down on the spot 2 F.4's. At 7:30 militia of Th. Township downed one and at 7:50 the women's militia of Township T shot down another. This was the second time since August 1968 that the women's militia of T Township scored a victory by shooting down U.S. airplanes. At 5:57 on 23 October Nghe An shot down one A.7 airplane. At 9:00 o'clock the same day, Ha Tinh downed one F.4.

Thus, together with the victory of Bo Trach District's militia reported earlier on 22 October, the militia of Quang Binh shot down all together 3 U.S. airplanes.

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