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ON 18 JUL 72, BTWN 2252Z AND 2387Z, MIG-17, PBS 46, REPORTED SHOOTING DOWN ONE ALLIED ACFT. TRK 282 (NO IDENT, PROB PBS 46) WAS INITAILLY REFLECTED AT 2255Z AT POS 21-12N 185-58E, PORCEEDED NORTHERLY TO 21-28N 185-57E AT 2256Z, THEN TURNED SOUTHEAST TO POS 21-25N 186-83E (IMMED AREA OF THE REPORTED SHOOTDOWN) AT 2256Z, THEN SOUTH WEST TO A FINAL NOTED POS OF 21-15N 185-43E AT 2381Z. AT 2252Z, TRK 765 (IDENT AS SIX UNIDENT) WAS REFLECTED AT 28-48N 186-23E, PROCEEDED NORTHERLY TO 21-85N 186-17E AT 2253Z, THEN TO 21-22N 186-18E (IMMED AREA OF THE REPORTED SHOOTDOWN) AT 2255Z, THEN TURNED SOUTHWEST TO 21-12N 186-83E AT 2256Z, THEN SOUTHERLY TO 28-52N 186-18E AT 2259Z. TRK 765 WAS NOTED EXITING NYN TERRITORY AT 2385Z AND THOUGHOUT THE ACTY WAS IDENT AS SIX UNIDENT ACFT. AT 2258Z, MIG-17 PBS 46, WAS NOTED ON TACTICAL VOICE COMMUNICATIONS REPORTING A SHOOTDOWN. COMMENTS, A COLLATERAL SOURCE (TACC-NS) CONFIRMS THAT ONE NAVAL ACFT WAS SHOT DOWN DURING THIS TIME FRAME AND IN THIS AREA. PORTIONS OF THIS REPORT BASED ON PRIELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AIRBORNE INTCPT.

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