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ENP0172314 2/00/VCK/R1110-72 AVN/OPER-V/I,Z. UNIDENTIFIED SAM BATTALION

DISCUSSES LAUNCH PARAMETERS

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(ALL TIMES ZULU) AT 0337 ON 18 OCTOBER 1972, AN UNIDENTIFIED SAM BATTALION POSSIBLY LOCATED IN THE HAIPHONG AREA WAS NOTED DISCUSSING THE LAUNCH PARAMETERS OF TWO SA-2 MISSILES WITH AN UNIDENTIFIED PROBABLE REGIMENTAL WEAPONS CONTROLLER. THE FOLLOWING POST LAUNCH REPORT (PLR) VALUES HAVE BEEN EXTRACTED FROM THE CONVERSATION ((1)) B. 0330 C. 2/8 T. RF - MANUAL TARGET TRACKING U. RV/K3 - BOTH NORMAL DISTANCE AND RADIO COMMAND FUZE ARMING Z. 15/14 AA. 008/- LL. THE FIRST MISSILE WAS NOT A GOOD DETONATION. THE FIRST MISSILE, ACCORDING TO THE REPORTING ABILITIES OF THE OUTSIDE OBSERVERS, STRUCK A MOUNTAIN. THE OUTSIDE OBSERVERS AT THE TIME SAW A DETONATION, BUT THEY DID NOT SEE A STRIKE. ON THE TOWER ONE WE WERE ABLE TO FOLLOW IT ((THE TARGET)) AND A SECOND LATER, WE WERE ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT ON THE TOWER ONE IT ((THE TARGER)) WAS LOST. COMMENTS THE REFERENCE TO THE TARGET BEING LOST PROBABLY MEANS THAT THE TARGER FADED FROM THE ACQUISITION RADAR (SPOONREST) SCOPE. OPERATIONAL SOURCES INDICATE THA NO U.S. AIRCRAFT WERE LOST TO OR DAMAGED BY MISSILE ACTION ON THIS DATE. ((1)) COLUMNAR VALUES REPORTED IN 2/00/VCK/R775-72, 031330Z AUGUST. XXHH 327 #3552 NNNH

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