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AXX, XNT/OPER-V [ ] UUR, AVN/AVIA-Y/E. NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY FOR 05/1700Z TO  
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(ALL TIMES ZULU) PART ONE, HIGHLIGHTS A. SUMMARY 1. NVN AIR/AIR DEFENSE REACTION TO U.S. AIR STRIKES OVER NVN, 6 NOVEMBER. 2. SHOOTDOWN OF A-7 AIRCRAFT. 3. SOVIET AN-12 ARRIVES AND DEPARTS HANOI GIA LAM. 4. NVN 214TH AAA REGIMENT PROBABLY LOCATED IN SOUTHERN PANHANDLE OF LAOS. B. DETAILS 1. BETWEEN 2306 ON 5 NOVEMBER AND 0744 ON 6 NOVEMBER, NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES TRACKED A MINIMUM OF 26 HOSTILE AIRCRAFT. THESE AIRCRAFT WERE TRACKED IN THE AREAS OF THANH HOA AND VINH AND OVER THE GULF OF TONKIN. THERE WERE NO SAM OR MIG REACTIONS TO THIS ACTIVITY. 2. AT 0112 AN UNIDENTIFIED AIR DEFENSE ELEMENT REPORTED THAT TODAY WE SHOT DOWN ONE A-7 AIRCRAFT AT NGHE AN (UNLOCATED). COLLATERAL REPORTED THAT AN A-7 AIRCRAFT WAS DOWNED AT 2300 ON 5 NOVEMBER AT 19-14N 105-44E. (2/ [ ] VCK/R204-72, 060612Z NOV) 3. BETWEEN 2119 AND 0346 ONE SOVIET AN-12 FLEW FROM RANGOON, BURMA TO HANOI GIA LAM AND SUBSEQUENTLY DEPARTED GIA LAM GIVING AN ETA [ ] OF 0510. NO REASON FOR THE FLIGHT OR MENTIONS OF CARGO WAS GIVEN. (ISHTAR) (2/ [ ] RUVCT/R105-72 060355 NOV 72) 4. ON 6 NOVEMBER, IT WAS REVEALED THAT ELEMENTS OF THE 214TH AAA REGIMENT ARE ACTIVE IN THE SOUTHERN PANHANDLE OF LAOS PROBABLY IN THE BINH TRAM 30 AREA. NO DATE FOR THE RELOCATION OF THESE ELEMENTS HAS BEEN NOTED. THE 214TH WAS LAST NOTED IN MAY 1972 IN THE HOA LAC AREA OF NVN. (2/00/LSVCK/R86-72) PART TWO, ROUTINE ACTIVITY A. AIR ACTIVITY 1. STRIP ALERTS FOUR MIG-21 PILOTS WERE ON STRIP ALERT AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD DURING THE 2200 HOUR. 2. HANOI GIA LAM FIGHTERS ONE MIG-21 PILOT CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN 0916 AND 0933 HOURS. 3. KEP FIGHTERS (1) FIVE MIG-17 PILOTS PRACTICED AIR ATTACKS FROM POSSIBLY KEP AIRFIELD BETWEEN 0005 AND 0038 HOURS. (2) TWELVE MIG-17 PILOTS ENGAGED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN 0133 AND 0401 HOURS. SEVERAL PILOTS MADE MORE THAN ONE FLIGHT. 4. PHUC YEN FIGHTERS (1) ONE MIG-21 PILOT WAS NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY BETWEEN 0834 AND 0840 HOURS. (2) BETWEEN 0935 AND 0936 HOURS ONE MIG-21 PILOT WAS NOTED LANDING FOLLOWING AN UNDETECTED ACTIVITY. (3) ONE MIG-21 PILOT CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY FROM POSSIBLE PHUC YEN BETWEEN 1111 AND 1121 HOURS. 5. INTERAIRFIELD (1) ONE MIG-21 PILOT FLEW FROM HANOI GIA LAM TO PHUC YEN AIRFIELD BETWEEN 0911 AND 0927 HOURS. (2) TWO MIG-21 PILOTS WERE NOTED LANDING AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD BETWEEN 0933 AND 0954 HOURS FOLLOWING A PROBABLE FLIGHT FROM HANOI GIA LAM AIRFIELD. 6. UNIDENTIFIED AIRFIELD FROM 1000 TO 1021 HOURS ONE MIG-21 PILOT WAS NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. 7. INTERAIRFIELD TRANSPORT FLIGHTS FROM 0239 AND 0249 ONE AN-2 WAS NOTED FLYING FROM KIEN AN TO HANOI GIA LAM. 8. HANOI HELICOPTERS FROM 0235 TO 0243 ONE MI-6

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WAS NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. 9. KIEN AN TRANSPORTS (1) AT 0035 TWO AN-2 WERE NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY IN THE KIEN AN AREA. (2) BETWEEN 1037 AND 1109 ONE AN-2 WAS NOTED IN NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING OUT OF KIEN AN. 10. UNIDENTIFIED TRANSPORTS FROM 1144 TO 1150 ONE POSSIBLE AN-2 WAS NOTED IN UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY TAKING-OFF FROM AND LANDING AT UNIDENTIFIED AFLD. B. SAM/AAA ACTIVITY - NTR C. RADAR ACTIVITY - NTR D. COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENTS - NTR PART THREE, ADDENDA/CORRECTIONS IN THE NAS FOR 04/1700 TO 05/1700 NOVEMBER, 3/00/VCA-E/R312-72, CHANGE PART TWO ALPHA, ITEM THREE TO READ, \$THREE MIG-17 PILOTS CONDUCTED PRACTICE BOMBING ACTIVITY FROM 0735 TO 0853. \$ XXHH 700 #3232  
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