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ENP02F0072346 2/00/VCK/R1320-72 SPOT REPORT FOLLOW-UP NR. 1 AND FINAL

AVN/OPER-V/I,Z,B) NVN 267TH SAM REGIMENT REPORTS ON SHOOTDOWN OF U.S. AIRCRAFT AND REACTION AGAINST SUBSEQUENT S.A.R.

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AT 1232Z ON 10 DECEMBER, AN UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER AT POSSIBLY THE 363RD AIR DEFENSE DIVISION REPORTED THAT \$AT 1115 HOURS (GOLF/0715Z), BATTALION 52 OF THE 267TH ((SAM)) REGIMENT SHOT DOWN 2 HELICOPTERS AT(((2 GR U))) ALTITUDE 500 METERS, RANGE 7 KILOMETERS, ((C VAL FIRING ANGLE) 30 DEGREES...\$ AT 0413Z ON 11 DECEMBER, THE COMMANDER OF THE 267TH SAM REGIMENT PASSED THE FOLLOWING REPORT, \$THE AAA FORCES IN SUPPORT OF BATTALION 51 SHOT DOWN AN F-4. ONE PRIVATE PILOT MAJOR WAS KILLED AND THE OTHER ((PILOT)) WAS CAPTURED ALIVE BY THE MILITARY AND CIVIL FORCES OF NGHE AN ((PROVINCE)). BATTALION 52 STRUCK AGAINST A HELICOPTER WHICH MADE AN ATTEMPT TO RESCUE THE ENEMY PILOT.\$ COMMENTS OPERATIONAL SOURCES REVEAL THAT A U.S.A.F. RF-4 WAS LOST TO HOSTILE FIRE ON 9 DECEMBER DURING THE 0700Z HOUR. ALTHOUGH NVN AIR DEFENSE UNITS CLAIM THAT ONE PILOT WAS KILLED AND THE OTHER CAPTURED, NVN GROUND FORCES MAINTAIN THAT AS OF 10 DECEMBER, ONE OF THE PILOTS WAS KILLED AND THAT A SEARCH FOR THIS PILOT WAS BEING CONDUCTED ALONG THE BORDER OF QUYNH LUU DISTRICT AND NGHIA DAN DISTRICT IN NGHE AN PROVINCE.((2)) ((1)) COLUMNAR VALUES REPORTED IN 2/00/VCK/R775-72, 031330 AUGUST. ((2)) 2/[ ] VCM/T633-72, 101340Z. XXHH 400 03712 NNNN

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