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WRAP-UP SECTION THREE CONTINUED ACTIVITY FROM THESE THREE AIRFIELDS CONSISTED OF
PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING, DEFENSIVE PATROLS AND NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING
FLIGHTS BY VIETNAMESE PILOTS AS WELL AS PRACTICE AIR ATTACK TRAINING, PRACTICE
INTERCEPT TRAINING AND DEFENSIVE PATROLS BY KORCOM PILOTS, OF BOTH CONTINGENTS
FROM PHUC YEN. OF THE 56 SORTIES STAGING OUT OF KEP BETWEEN 15 AND 20 JANUARY,
31 WERE FLOWN AT NIGHT, OF WHICH A MINIMUM OF 16 WERE PRACTICE INTERCEPT
TRAINING FLIGHTS. THE LAST NOTED PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING FLIGHT STAGED FROM
KEP OCCURRED ON 30 JUNE 1966. ALTHOUGH OPERATIONAL DATA REFLECTED U.S. STRIKE
AIRCRAFT PERFORMING MISSIONS IN THE PHUC YEN/HANOI GIA LAH AREAS FROM 15
THROUGH 20 JANUARY, THERE WERE NO ATTEMPTED INTERCEPTS BY NVN MIGS. MIG-21
ASSOCIATED [REDACTED] SIGNALS WERE REFLECTED ON 20 JANUARY IN CORRELATION TO
MIG ACTIVITY STAGING OUT OF KEP AIRFIELD. ON THE BASIS OF THIS INFORMATION, IT
IS POSSIBLE THAT, IN ADDITION TO PERFORMING INTER-AIRFIELD ROUND-TRIP FLIGHTS
BETWEEN PHUC YEN AND KEP, MIG-21'S ARE NOW REMAINING AT KEP AT LEAST LONG
ENOUGH TO PERFORM TACTICAL MISSIONS OUT OF THAT AIRFIELD BEFORE RETURNING TO
PHUC YEN. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT THE MIG-21 COMPLETION IN THE DRV HAS BEEN
OR WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN PHUC YEN AND KEP. EIGHTEEN KORCOM PILOTS, TEN OF THE
FIRST CONTINGENT AND EIGHT OF THE SECOND CONTINGENT, WERE ACTIVE ON 14, 15, 17,
AND 18 JANUARY, FLYING A TOTAL OF 29 SORTIES FROM PHUC YEN AS COMPARED TO THE
48 SORTIES FLOWN DURING THE PRECEDING WEEK. PILOTS OF THE FIRST CONTINGENT
ENGAGED IN PRACTICE INTERCEPT ATTACKS ON 14 JAN AND FLEW DEFENSIVE PATROLS ON 15
JAN. PILOTS OF THE SECOND CONTINGENT ENGAGED IN PRACTICE INTERCEPT ATTACKS ON
14 JAN AND FLEW DEFENSIVE PATROLS ON 15 JAN. PILOTS OF THE SECOND CONTINGENT
ENGAGED IN PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING ON 17 AND 18 JAN. THE ACTIVITY ON 17 JAN
INCLUDED FOUR MIG-21'S, FLOWN BY VIETNAMESE PILOTS, WHICH ACTED AS TARGETS
FOR THE KORCOMS. THIS PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING BY THE SECOND CONTINGENT OF
KORCOM PILOTS INDICATES A MORE ADVANCED PHASE IN THEIR TRAINING SCHEDULE, WHICH
BEGAN WITH AREA/AIRFIELD FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHTS ON 2 JAN, FOLLOWED BY
NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING FLIGHTS. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THIS SECOND CONTINGENT WILL
CONTINUE TO PRACTICE AIR ATTACK TRAINING AND DEFENSIVE PATROLS IN THE NEAR
FUTURE. 2. AIRFIELD ACTIVITY. A. KEP: A TOTAL OF 56 SORTIES WERE FLOWN FROM
THIS AIRFIELD WHICH IS A MARKED INCREASE OVER THE 24 FLOWN DURING THE PRECEDING
PERIOD. THE NUMBER OF PREFLIGHTS CONTINUED TO INCREASE WITH 143 SCHEDULED FOR
THIS PERIOD AS COMPARED TO 98 FOR THE PRECEDING PERIOD. ACTIVITY CONSISTED OF
DEFENSIVE PATROLS, PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING AND NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING
FLIGHTS DURING BOTH DAY AND NIGHT HOURS. B. PHUC YEN: THE MAJORITY OF MIG
SORTIES CONTINUE TO BE STAGED FROM THIS AIRFIELD. THE 111 SORTIES FLOWN DURING
THIS PERIOD IS A SLIGHT DECREASE FROM THE 134 FLOWN DURING THE PRECEDING
PERIOD, HOWEVER, FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE WEEK, THIS DECREASE IS PRIMARILY
ATTRIBUTED TO THE REDUCTION IN KORCOM ACTIVITY WITH ONLY 29 KORCOM SORTIES

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FLOWN DURING THIS PERIOD, AS COMPARED TO THE 48 FLOWN DURING THE PREVIOUS PERIOD. ALL ACTIVITY CONSISTED OF PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING AND NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING FLIGHTS, BY VIETNAMESE PILOTS DURING BOTH DAY AND NIGHT HOURS AND PRACTICE INTERCEPT TRAINING, PRACTICE AIR ATTACK AND DEFENSIVE PATROLS, BY KORCOM PILOTS DURING BOTH DAY AND NIGHT HOURS. C. HANOI GIA LAM: ALTHOUGH ACTIVITY FOR THIS AIR-FIELD REMAINED BELOW NORMAL, THE 28 SORTIES FLOWN DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD IS A MARKED INCREASE OVER THE FOUR FLOWN DURING THE PRECEDING PERIOD. ALL ACTIVITY WAS ROUTING NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING FLIGHTS, DURING BOTH DAY AND NIGHT HOURS. D. HAIPHONG KIEN AN: NO TACTICAL FIGHTER ACTIVITY HAS BEEN REFLECTED FROM THIS AIRFIELD SINCE 19 SEPTEMBER 1966. SECTION FOUR - SAM ACTIVITY DURING THE PERIOD 14 THROUGH 28 JANUARY. AT LEAST 19 SAMs WERE LAUNCHED BY THE DRV SAM COMPLEX. TEN, POSSIBLY 12 OF THESE LAUNCHES WERE REFLECTED BY DRV MULTICHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS. THE LARGE INCREASE IN LAUNCHES, IN COMPARISON WITH THE PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD, IS ATTRIBUTED TO THE HIGH NUMBER OF U.S. STRIKE AIRCRAFT OVER THE DRV. 1. ON 17 JANUARY, MULTICHANNEL COMMUNICATIONS REFLECTED SAM FIRINGS CORRELATING WITH THE LOSS OF THREE BLUE SPRINGS DRONES AND ONE RF4C. 988 LHHHHH

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