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ENR04-TZ181N7 2/06/VCK-E/R239-67PRELIMINARY AIR ACTIVITY REPORT FOR 18 OCT 67

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DURING THE LAST HALF OF THE 0300Z HOUR THE BN WAS AGAIN NOTED ACTIVE. APPARENTLY SOME UNIDENTIFIED UNIT LAUNCHED TWO MISSILES IN THEIR AREA AND THEY WERE UNHAPPY. THE SPEAKER COMMENTED "SO THUS IT HASN'T UP TO THEM AT ALL." LATER REFERENCE WAS MADE TO HAVING ANTENNA PROBLEMS. APPARENTLY THE WIND WAS CAUSING THE ANTENNA TO LEAN AND THE BN WAS EXPERIENCING COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEMS AS A RESULT. BETWEEN 0900Z AND 0926Z THE BN WAS OBSERVED TACKLING THE USAF P.M. STRIKES AGAINST THE DAI LOI RR BYPASS BRIDGE. ALTHOUGH AT ONE TIME HOSTILES CAME WITHIN 10.8 NMS OF THE SITE NO INDICATIONS OF LAUNCH ACTIVITY WERE NOTED. DURING THE LAST OF THE 0900Z HOUR THE BN WAS OBSERVED DISCUSSING MOVING TO A NEW LOCATION. THE BN ASKED THE REGT CNTRLR, "REPORT WHAT POSITION I WILL MOVE TO, THERE ARE NO POSITIONS NEAR HERE. BELOW ME (THERE IS SOMEONE IN THEM)." A LATER REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE AAA SECTION HAVING ALREADY LEFT. IF THE BN WAS IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING AS INDICATED, IT SHOULD EXPLAIN WHY THE BN DID NOT LAUNCH AGAINST THE HOSTILES THAT FLEW WITHIN AN ACCEPTABLE LAUNCH RANGE OF THE SITE. SINCE EARLY SEPT, THIS BN HAS BEEN REFLECTED IN FREQUENT MOVES BUT ALWAYS WITHIN THE SAME GENERAL AREA NORTH AND NORTHEAST OF HANOI. 3. PRELIMINARY INTELLIGENCE FROM CENVN COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, BETWEEN 0216 AND 0219Z, REFLECTED A CONVERSATION BETWEEN A LOCAL CONTROLLER AND A PROBABLE OBSERVER OUTSTATION, REPORTING AN A6A HAD LANDED IN A PROBABLE RICE PADDY BY A WATERWAY. THE SPEAKER AT THE OUTSTATION STATED THAT IT DIDN'T FALL BUT LANDED, AND WAS NOT BURNED AND THE AIRCRAFT WAS INTACT. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE CIVILIANS DID NOT UNDERSTAND AND WERE TAKING THINGS, AND THAT THEY WERE A PROBLEM AT THE PLANE. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE A6A WAS IN WATER AND THAT THEY HAD INSUFFICIENT PERSONNEL TO PULL IT OUT. ADDITIONALLY, THEY (THE CHINESE) DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FORCES TO PURSUE THE TWO A6A FLYERS. HE WAS QUESTIONED BY THE CONTROLLER ABOUT CERTAIN PARTS OF THE AIRCRAFT (POSSIBLY RADAR/ELECTRICAL GEAR) AND REPLIED THAT THEY WERE NOT RECOVERED BECAUSE THOSE ITEMS WERE UNDERWATER. OPERATIONAL REPORTS REFLECT NO AIRCRAFT LOSSES THAT CAN BE CORRELATED TO THIS CONVERSATION. 4. BETWEEN 2346 AND 2352Z, THE 236TH REGT CNTRLR WAS REFLECTED READING A LETTER TO SAM DH VI 458. THIS LETTER, OF A PROPAGANDA NATURE, WAS TO BE USED BY ALL UNITS DAILY IN DISCUSSIONS. THE LETTER TEXT READ "WE SHOT DOWN THE 204TH ACFT OF THE AMERICAN PIRATES BY FIRING 92 REGULAR SHELLS. THAT IS A GLORIOUS VICTORY. WE HAVE THE (PILOT) BY MEANS OF 92 (CAPTURE). THAT WAS A GLORIOUS ENGAGEMENT OF GREAT ACTIVITY AND HIGHLY INTELLIGENT AND MUCH MORE OF THE SAME. THIS SETS AN EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW. THAT ENGAGEMENT ALL UNITS WILL BE REMINDED OF THIS DAY. ALL UNITS WILL DISCUSS THIS ENGAGEMENT. REPORT TO ALL UNITS AND ORGANIZE YOUR THOUGHTS/IDEAS." THE SPEAKER AT VI 458 EXPRESSED ADMIRATION, POSSIBLY IN A

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SARCASTIC MANNER, FOR THE STYLE WITH HIGHLINE LETTER WAS WRITTEN AND READ. OF INTEREST, BETWEEN 0016 AND 0018Z, ON A DIFFERENT FREQUENCY, A PORTION OF THIS SAME LETTER WAS REFLECTED. THE ENGAGEMENT BEING USED FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES IS NOT IDENTIFIED. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ASSOCIATED ACTIVITY IN RECENT DAYS THE DOWNING OF THREE F105'S BY PROBABLE AAA ON 17 OCT (FOR DETAILS SEE 2/06/VCK-E/R238-67, SECTION THREE, PART ALFA). SECTION THREE PART BRAVO 1. COMINT/ELINT REFLECTED 7 (SEVEN) ACTIVE SAM REGS SUBORDINATE TO 57TH REGT DRV SAM REGIMENTS 238TH 238TH EAST HANOI [REDACTED]

2. THE FOLLOWING SAM ASSOC ELINT IMPACTS DID NOT CORRELATE TO A KNOWN SAM BN. 20-28N 106-28E FIVE 3. AAA ASSOC ELINT IMPACTS: N.T.R.G. THE FOLLOWING 17 SAM BNs HAVE BEEN NOTED ACTIVE WITHIN THE PAST SEVEN DAYS. READ: ASN-COORDS [REDACTED] PHOTO CONFIRMED OCCUPIED SITE-SOURCE-LAST IRD DATE. V1481 20-46N 105-59E TWO NONE COMINT 17 OCT V1443 20-47N 105-52E ONE NONE ELINT 14 OCT V1476 20-52N 105-49E FIVE VNR02 ELINT 16 OCT V1439 20-53N 105-56E ONE VNR245 COMINT 14 OCT V1403 20-54N 106-36E ONE NONE ELINT 17 OCT V1472 20-56N 105-58E TWO VNR142 COMINT 18 OCT V1436 20-58N 106-03E TWO VNR03 COMINT 17 OCT V1475 21-05N 105-44E ONE NONE ELINT 16 OCT V1486 21-02N 105-56E TWO VNR14 ELINT 18 OCT V1451 21-08N 105-51E TWO VNR133 COMINT 17 OCT V1458 21-09N 105-45E TWO VNR04 COMINT 18 OCT V1456 21-09N 106-27E TWO VNR148 COMINT 17 OCT XXXH 780 HHHH

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