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CLAS\*~~T O P S E C R E T~~ TRINE SECTION ONE OF TENF46(/8647 AEEKLY  
AIR DEFENSE WRAP-UP THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF SIRINT/CLLATERAL  
SERI REFLECTIONS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMUNIST BLOC AIRDEFENSE  
TEXT AND FLIGHT ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD 13THROUGH 19 JAN 68. (:3:589,  
9,3 - HIGHLIGHTSPART ONE - NORTH VIETNAM. DRV AIRDURINR  
T IS PAST WEEK, THE NUMBER OF SORTIES PREFLIGHTEDAND THOSE  
ACTUALLY FLOWN REMAINED CONSTANT WITH THOSE OFTHE PREVIOUS  
PERIOD. HOWECERJN DURING THIS WEEK, PHUCYEN-BASED MIG-21'S  
INCREASED THEIR AREA OF TACTICALOPERATIONS TO THE SOUTH  
AND SOUTHWEST OF THE HANOI AREAATH UR NIG-21'S HAVE CONDUCTED  
DEFENSIVE OPERATIONSTO THE SOUTH OF HANOI IN THE PAST, THIS  
WEEK REVEALED ANINCREASE OF OPERATIONS IN THIS AREA. ON  
14 JANUARY, DURING THE 0000Z HOUR, TWO MIG-21'SCONDUCTED  
T E STANDARD INTERCEPT PATTERN AGAINST THEINGRESSING STRIKE  
FORCE OVER THE WESERN DRV, AND IN ANAIR ENGAGEMENT, BOBBIN  
2 (1 F-105) WAS DOWNED. HOAEVER, DURING THE 0800Z HOUR, WHILE  
THE NORMAL USAF PN SRIKEFORCE WAS INGRESSING OVER LAOS,  
THE MIG-21'S WERE VECTOREDJIPKNNNS GENERALLY DUE SOUTH OF  
HANOI, WHERE THEY TURNED TOTHE AAST NOR AEST AND THEY INTERCEPTED,  
ATTACKED ANDDOWNED PREVIEW 01, AN EB-66 ECM AIRCRAFT. THE  
EB-66 HADBEEN ORBITING NEAR THE DRV/LAOTIAN BORDER IN SUPPORT  
OF THE STRIKE EFFORT. AFTER THE ATTACK THE MIG-27'S RETURNEDTO  
PHUC YEN, DISPLAYING NO INTENTION OF REACTING TO THEMMAIN  
STRIKE FORCE. ON 19 JANUARY, DURING THE 0400Z HOUR, TWO  
PHUC YEN-BASED MIG-21'S CONDUCTED A DEFENSIVE PATROLISOME  
80NMSDUA SOUH OF NAOI. THE FLIGHT HAD INDICATIONS OF BEINGA  
NAVIGATIONAL TRAINING MISSION IN WHICH SEVERAL NEWGROUND  
CONTROLLERS WERE NOTED, DUT DUE TO US ACFT IN THEAREA, THE  
MIG-21'S RETURNED TO IHUC YEN, W EN HE IOSSIB-ILITY OF AN  
ENGAGEMENT AROSE. THIS IS THE FARTHEST SOUTHOF HANOI THAT  
MIG-21'S HAVE BEEN NOTED SINCE 29 MAY 7967, A EN A SINGLE  
MIG-21 ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT A BUMBLE BUG DRONE.1, ( :#  
5:9-, 9: :9::8, 02 (F105) 14 JANUARY 1968AT 0057Z, TWO VIETNAMESE-PILOTED  
MIG-21'S WERE DETEC-TED AIRBORNE ON TACTICAL VOICE FACILITIES,  
HEADING 270 DE-GREES FROM PHUC YEN AS THE BOBBIN IRON HAND  
FLIGHT WAS RE-FLECTED APPROACHING THE DRV BORDER FROM LAOSJM  
THE MIGSC LIMBED TO AN ALTITUDE OF 16,400FT. THEY WERE ADCISED  
OF"8 HOSTILE AIRCRAFT TO THE FRONT AT 11,500 FT."THE MIG-21'S  
WERE VECTORED TO A POSITION APPROXIMATELY15NMS WEST OF HOA  
LAC, WHERE THEY ORBITED, WAITING FOR THE"HOSTILES" TO INGRESS  
FURTHER O THE EAST. AT 0105Z, THEYLEFT THEIR HOLDING ORBIT,  
HEADING DUE NORTH UNTIL 0110Z, WHEN THEY WERE ORDERED TO  
ASSUME A HEADING OF JWUPK DEGREES. BY THIS TIME THE IRON  
HAND FLIGHT HAD TURNED SOUTH AND THEKCONTROLLER INDICATED,  
"THEY ARE TURNING OUT, PAY ATTENTION, TO THE FRONT...29NMS."AS  
THE IRON HAND FLIGHT TURNED NORHAES O REJOIN THESTRIKE FORCE,  
THE MIGS, AT 19,700 FT, WERE VECTORED TO AHEADING OF 60  
DEGREES AND INCREASED SPEED TO 515KTS. THEMIGS WERE CONTINUOUSLY  
FED INFORMATION AS TO THE "HOSTILES"POSITION TO THEIR LEFT  
FRONT. AT 0115Z, THE MIG-21 FLIGHTLEADER REPORTED SIGHTING

"HOSTILES" TO HIS LEFT SIDE. GAM-BIT FLIR T JKR F4D MIGCAP)  
AT THIS POINT TURNED TO INVESTI-GATE MIR ALERS BUT MADE  
NO CONTACT. THE MIG-21'S WEREORDERED TO "ENGAGE AFTERBURNER...USE  
A HIGH SPEED...SEEK ANADVANTAGE AND AFTER ATACUINGJN BREAK  
OFF AND COME STRAIGHTBACK TO PHUC YEN." THE SENIOR DRV RCI  
CONTROLLER REPEATELYDIRECTED THE MIGS TO "HURRY UP THE ATTACK...MAKE  
QUICKMOVEMENTS AND BREAK OFF."THE MIG-21'S CLOSED N D BDING  
FLIGHT WHO WAS HEADING045 DEGREES AT 17,000FT, APIROACHING  
HIGH FROM THE SIXO'CLOCK POSITION. ONE AAM WAS FIRED AT  
BODDIN JPWM AT0116Z, BOTH MIG-21 PILOTS INDICATED THEY WERE  
ATTACKINGAND A REFERENCE WAS MADE TO "ONE ACFT BURNING."  
BOBBIN02 WAS HIT IN AFT SECTION AND ROLLED OVER, THE PILOT  
EJEC-TING 12( :3:9,:: )-534. THE REMAINDER OF THE FLIGHT  
TURNEDINTO THE MIGS AND BBDIN 04 FIRED 200 ROUNDS OF 20MM  
ATONE MIG-21 WHICH HAD PULLED UP IN FRONT OF HIM. NO HITSWERE  
SCORED AND THE MIG-21'S ACCELEAED AND CLINBED O 30,008 (:5,  
BREAKING THE ENGAGEMENT. THE MIGS WERE ORDEREDTO FLY STRAIGHT  
TO PHUC YEN ON A HEADING OF 150 DEGREESAND MAINTAIN ALERT  
TO THEIR REAR. MIGCAP WAS NOT IN THEAREA AT THE TIME OF  
THE S OOTDWN AND DID NOT CONTACT THEMIG-21'S. THE CAP HAD  
TURNED TO CHECK RADAR CONTACT, LOSTIT AND HAD STARTED TO  
REJOIN FORCE WHEN THEY HEARD CALL THATBOBBIN 02 WAS HIT.  
THE MIG-21'S RETURNED TO PHUC YENJN THEY WERE INFORMEDTHAT  
"HOSTILE ACFT HAVE ALL TURNED AROUND SO YOU MAY PIERCETHE  
CLOUDS DIRECTLY AND FLY BELOW THE CLUDS."HE MIRS RECOVERED  
AT PHUC YEN AT 0129Z. THE FLIGHTLEADER REPORTED FIRINR ONE  
AAM AND INDICATED, "I SHOT DOWNONE IN PLACE...I SAW IT BURNING."  
HIS WINGMAN REPORTED, "I DIDN'T LAUNCH ANY MISSILES A ALLJMZ900  
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