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ENP01FT327118 21 [] VCA/R482-68 FOLLOWUP NUMBER ONE AND FINAL TO USA-32 SPOT REPORT 2/H3/VCK/R684-68, DTG: 260407Z NOV 68. AVC,KUS/AVIA-A,OPER/I (ALL TIMES ZULU) NVAF AN-2 CONDUCTS ROUND TRIP FLIGHT TO VINH ON 26 NOVEMBER. XXCC

DURING THE AFTERNOON OF 26 NOVEMBER, ONE NVAF AN-2 CONDUCTED A ROUND TRIP FLIGHT FROM BAI THUONG VIA VINH. THE AIRCRAFT TOOK OFF FROM BAI THUONG AT 0332 AND WAS LAST NOTED ORBITING IN THE VINH AREA ONE HOUR LATER. THE AIRCRAFT THEN DEPARTED VINH AT APPROXIMATELY 0806 AND AT 0836 THE PILOT REPORTED THAT HE COULD SEE BAI THUONG WELL. THE AIRCRAFT LANDED AT PROBABLY BAI THUONG UNDETECTED. COMMENTS: ALTHOUGH NO PURPOSE FOR THIS FLIGHT TO VINH HAS BEEN DISCLOSED IN SIGINT, THE TRIP PROBABLY REPRESENTS THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AN ATTEMPT BY THE SAME AIRCRAFT TO FLY TO VINH ON 25 NOVEMBER (SEE 21 [] VCA/R479-68, DTG: 262045Z NOV 68). IN A DISCUSSION BETWEEN TWO SPEAKERS ON NVAF AIRFIELD SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS ON 26 NOVEMBER DURING WHICH THE STATUS OF THREE U.S. PILOTS WAS DISCUSSED, IT WAS REPORTED THAT AN-2'S WOULD BE INVOLVED IN RETURNING TWO CAPTURED PILOTS TO PROBABLY HANOI (SEE 21 [] VCA/R481-68, DTG: 271715Z NOV 68). NO FIRM ASSOCIATION WITH THIS AN-2 FLIGHT AND THE STATUS OF THE PILOTS CAN BE MADE AT THIS TIME ALTHOUGH THE POSSIBILITY DOES EXIST. XXHH
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