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691205 Laos

F-4C Phantom # 63-7444 "Boxer 22"
558th TFS, 12th TFW, Cam Ranh Bay AB, South Vietnam
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- Note; Boxer was a two-ship flight fragged against an interdiction point (1730N 10543E) in Laos. Boxer 22 was hit and went into violent pitching motions and the crew bailed out. Two good chutes were observed and initial voice contact was established with both crewmen. The two crewmen landed on opposite side of area. An intensive SAR effort ensued, which lasted 3 days. The two crewmen could not be rescued the same day as the shock down due to heavy hostile fire directed at the SAR forces. Contact with the pilot was lost the next day during the timeframe in which which voices, small arms fire, and a scream were heard. One pararescueman was killed and several others wounded during the 336 sorties flown in support of SAR ops for this crew. Five A-1's were heavily damaged and 10 SAR helicopters were damaged, five beyond repair and never flew again. On the third day following the shutdown, and after almost 50 hours on the ground, the backseater was rescued.
- Unidentified Company 4 in Laos; "The results, on 05 December, shot down 2 F-4's at slope 18 (unloc).