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AT Ø725Z, 16 AUG 72, IN A MESSAGE BETWEEN TWO UNIDENTIFIED AAA ELEMENTS, IT WAS STATED THAT AN AIRCRAFT HAD BEEN SHOT DOWN ON THE SPOT AND AN AMERICAN CAPTAIN PILOT HAD BEEN CAPTURED ALIVE. 11Ø #122Ø NNNN

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NO POW/MIA ENTRY FOR 16 AUG.
POSS REF TO 13 AUG 72 SHOOTDOWN:
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CAPT. WILLIAM A. GAUNTT - POW & RELEASED 730327
LT. FRANCIS W. TOWNSEND - PRESUMED KIA

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