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FOLLOW-UP NR THREE AND FINAL TO USA-57 CRITIC 3-65  
DTG 200343ZSE65. [REDACTED] REACTIONS TO U.S.  
ACFT OVER HANINAN ISLAND.  
BEGINING AT 248Z, [REDACTED] FACS BEGAN  
REFLECTING RAID 6885/17, IDENT AS ONE HOSTILE LARGE TYPE  
AND AS TWO HOSTILE SMALL TYPE, ALTS FRM 13,120FT TO  
41,000FT, FROM AN INITIAL POSITION OVER THE GULF OF  
TONKIN, [REDACTED]

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(b) (3)-50 USC 403  
(b) (3)-18 USC 798  
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[REDACTED]

COMMENTS DUE TO THE TRACKING OF THE LAST LEG OF  
THIS FLIGHT, THE POSS EXISTS THAT THIS ACTY WAS A  
GCI EXERCISE AND NOT A REACTION TO A US ACFT.  
SUBSEQUENT INTERCEPT AND ANALYSIS BY [REDACTED] OF THE ACTY  
REPORTED BEING DESTROYED AS A US F104 ACFT, REVEALED THIS  
ACFT HAD DEVELOPED FUEL PROBLEMS AND WAS DOWN IN THE GULF  
OF TONKIN 180NM NORTH OF DANANG.

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