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AXX, UUR/AVIA-Y/E: NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY FOR 30/1700Z TO 31/1700Z JULY

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(ALL TIMES ZULU) PART ONE, HIGHLIGHTS A. SUMMARY 1. NVN AIR/AIR DEFENSE REACTION TO U.S. AIR STRIKES OVER NVN. 31 JULY. 2. [REDACTED]

B. DETAILS 1.

BETWEEN 1713 ON 30 JULY AND 1608 ON 31 JULY, NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES WERE NOTED TRACKING A MINIMUM OF 63 HOSTILE AIRCRAFT OVER NVN. THESE AIRCRAFT WERE ACTIVE IN THE AREAS OF VINH, PHUC YEN, HAIPHONG, AND THANH HOA. THE AIRCRAFT WERE ALSO TRACKED DURING THEIR ENTRIES AND EXITS OF NVN AIR OVER THE GULF OF TONKIN. BETWEEN 1804 AND 1810, AN UNIDENTIFIED SAM REGIMENT IN THE PHU THUY AREA REPORTED FIRING TWO MISSILES AND SHOOTING DOWN ONE UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFT. THEY REPORTED THAT THE PILOTS BAILED OUT IN THE PHU THUY AREA. BETWEEN 0552 AND 0626, TWO GIA LAM-BASED MIG-21'S WERE NOTED IN A DEFENSIVE PATROL IN THE GIA LAM AREA POSSIBLY DUE TO HOSTILES WHICH WERE TRACKED NORTH OF PHUC YEN DURING THE SAME TIME FRAME 2 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (2) [REDACTED] VCT/R8-72, SPOT, 310722 JULY) PART TWO, ROUTINE ACTIVITY A. AIR ACTIVITY FOUR MIG-19 PILOTS, TWO MIG-17 PILOTS AND TWO MIG-21 PILOTS AT GIA LAM, AND TWO MIG-21 PILOTS AT PHUC YEN WERE PLACED ON STRIP ALERT. ONE MIG-21 PILOT AT PHUC YEN CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. AT GIA LAM, TWO MI-6 PILOTS PERFORMED TAKEOFFS AND LANDINGS, AND ONE MI-4 PILOT CONDUCTED UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY. ONE AN-2 FLEW FROM GIA LAM TO PHUC YEN, ONE IL-14 FLEW FROM GIA LAM TO AN UNKNOWN LOCATION, AND ONE AN-2 FLEW ROUND TRIP BETWEEN GIA LAM AND YEN BAI. B. SAM/AAA ACTIVITY BETWEEN 1247 AND 1259, AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 263RD SAM REGIMENT, LOCATED IN THE VINH AREA, WAS NOTED TRACKING AT LEAST ONE HOSTILES SOUTHEAST OF VINH OVER NVN. C. RADAR ACTIVITY NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES WERE NOTED TRACKING THE GIANT SCALE MISSION FLOWN OVER SVN, NVN, LAOS AND THAILAND DURING THE 0600 AND 0800 HOURS AND THE BUFFALO HUNTER DRONE FLOWN OVER THE HANOI AREA DURING THE 0100 HOUR. C. COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENTS - NTR PART THREE, AIR MOVEMENTS STATISTICAL SUMMARY (THIS PORTION OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR SUMMARY WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED AFTER 11 AUGUST 1972) (READ, TIME/NR PILOTS, TYPE ACFT/ACTUAL PILOT NR/ACTY/ALT/ AREA/AVIONICS/COMMENTS.) A. NVAF FIGHTERS 1. GIA LAM (1) 2306-2310/F00P, MIG-19/34, 013067/03/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM AFLD/-/-. (2) 2306-2310/TWO, MIG-21/21, 013067/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM AFLD/-/-. (3) 0125-0133/TWO, MIG-17/02, 0129/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM AFLD/-/-. (4) 0552-0626/TWO, MIG-21/21, 67/DEF

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Ø452-Ø525/ONE, MIG-21/21/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM/ -/-. (2) Ø5Ø5/ONE,
MIG-21/67/STRIP ALERT/-/GIA LAM/ -/-. (3) Ø942-1Ø16/FOUR, MIG-17/PRAC FMTN/-/GIA
LAM AREA/ -/-. 2. PHUC YEN (1) Ø959-1Ø21/FOUR, MI G-21/35, 63, 82/PRAC FMTN/
-/PHUC YEN AREA/ -/-. B. NVAF BOMBERS/TACTICAL TRANSPORTS - NTR C. NVAF
TRANSPORTS - NTR D. NVAF HELICOPTERS 1. HOA LOC (1) 1Ø42-1Ø54/ONE,
MI-4/71/UNID/-/HOA LAC AREA/ -/ONL. 2. INTERAIRFIELD XXIII 9ØØ #3581 NNNN

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