

14. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION: PRESENT JCSD-MOSCOW PERSONNEL STRENGTH IS SIX. CAROL DOCKHAM ARRIVED IN MOSCOW ON JULY 25, 1997.

15. DIRECTOR, JCSD-MOSCOW COMMENTS: WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME BACK GARMISCH ALUMNUS MAJOR JIM CONKLIN, USMC, AS AN ASSISTANT ALUSNA (NAVAL ATTACHE).

16. JOINT COMMISSION SUPPORT DIRECTORATE - MOSCOW SENDS. TEFFT

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## BODY

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SUBJ/JTF-FA SITREP 97-32//

RMKS/1. THIS SITREP COVERS PERIOD FROM 312000ZJUL97 TO

071959ZJUL97. SUMMARY. IN VIETNAM, THE 47TH JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY (JFA) (30 JUL - 30 AUG 97) CONTINUES WITH TWO INVESTIGATION ELEMENTS (IE) AND SIX RECOVERY ELEMENTS (RE). IE1 INVESTIGATED THREE CASES IN NGHE AN PROVINCE. IE2 INVESTIGATED FOUR CASES IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE. RE1 BEGAN EXCAVATING AN A-1H SITE IN THANGH BOA PROVINCE; REMAINS RECOVERED. RE2 BEGAN EXCAVATING AN F-105D SITE IN HA TINH PROVINCE. RE3 SURVEYED AN F-4D SITE IN QUANG BIHGH PROVINCE. RE4 EXCAVATED AND CLOSED A UH-1D SITE IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE; REMAINS RECOVERED. RE4 ALSO SURVEYED AN F-8E SITE IN THE PROVINCE. RE5 BEGAN EXCAVATION OF AN F-4D SITE IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE. RE6 SURVEYED A WATER LOSS SITE IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE AND BEGAN EXCAVATION OF AN F-4E SITE. IN LAOS, TEAM MEMBERS FROM JFA 95-5L COMPLETED REDEPLOYMENT TO HAWAII.

## 2. OPERATIONS.

## A. VIETNAM.

(1) 47TH JFA ONGOING (30 JUL - 30 AUG 97).

(A) IE1. IN NGHE AN PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASES 0135 (F-4C, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 1611 (F-4D, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR), AND 1866 (A-4F, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR).

(B) IE2. IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASES 0286 (GROUND, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0434 (GROUND, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0737 (OH-23C, THREE UNACCOUNTED FOR), AND 1428 (GROUND, THREE UNACCOUNTED FOR).

(C) RECOVERY ELEMENT ONE (RE1). IN THANH HOA PROVINCE, BEGAN EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0095 (A-1H, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS, AIRCREW-

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RELATED EQUIPMENT, AND AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE. ON 5 AUG 97, A VIETNAMESE CITIZEN APPROACHED TWO TEAM MEMBERS NEAR THEIR HOTEL AND CLAIMED HE HAD REMAINS. TEAM LEADER AND VIETNAMESE COUNTERPART WILL TALK TO VIETNAMESE CITIZEN AND OBTAIN REMAINS AND MORE INFORMATION.

(D) RE2. IN HA TINH PROVINCE, AFTER LENGTHY LAND COMPENSATION NEGOTIATIONS, BEGAN EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0243 (F-105D, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). LOCAL VILLAGER HAD CLAIMED SWEET POTATO FIELD WOULD BE INFERTILE FOR THREE YEARS AFTER SOIL IS DUG AND ASKED COMPENSATION FOR THREE YEARS OF SWEET POTATO CROP. ADDITIONALLY, HE ASKED COMPENSATION FOR SCREENING AND BREAK AREAS LOCATED ON UNUSED LAND.

(E) RE3. IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, SURVEYED SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1262 (F-4D, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). FOUND AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT.

(F) RE4. IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, EXCAVATED ALLEGED BURIAL SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1044 (UH-1D, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS. SITE WAS CLOSED ON 7 AUG 97. ON 4 AUG 97, TWO WITNESSES TURNED OVER UNCORRELATED HUMAN REMAINS INCLUDING ONE TOOTH WITHOUT RESTORATIONS. ALSO SURVEYED SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0697 (F-8E, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). DURING SURVEY OF SITE, ONE VIETNAMESE CITIZEN CAME FORWARD AND CLAIMED HE SAW AN AIRCRAFT CRASH AND BURIED A BOOT WITH REMAINS. WITNESS AGREED TO IDENTIFY BURIAL LOCATION WHEN TEAM RETURNS AFTER COMPLETING CASE 1044.

(G) RE5. IN THUA THIEN PROVINCE, BEGAN EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1949 (F-4D, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT AND AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE.

(H) RE6. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, SURVEYED ALLEGED BURIAL SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0646 (BOAT, FOUR UNACCOUNTED FOR). WITNESS DEFINED BURIAL SITE WITHIN 100 METERS AREA WHICH IS UNDER 1-3 FEET OF WATER. ON 2 AUG 97, DET CDR ACCOMPANIED BY SRCOL BIEN, VNOSMP DEPUTY DIRECTOR (MND), VISITED RE6 AND DETERMINED THAT TEAM SHOULD MOVE TO ALTERNATE SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1474 (F-4E, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). ON 7 AUG 97, RE6 BEGAN EXCAVATING CASE 1474 SITE. RECOVERED AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT AND AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE.

(2) RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATION TEAM (RIT). IN BINH DINH PROVINCE, RIT COULD NOT OBTAIN ACCEPTABLE LANDING ZONE (LZ) COMPENSATION PRICE TO INVESTIGATE CASE 0344. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, RIT EXAMINED UNCORRELATED REMAINS WHICH ANTHROPOLOGIST DETERMINED WERE MONGOLOID. IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, RIT INTERVIEWED FIVE WITNESSES CONCERNING CASES 0647, 0678, AND 0728, BUT THEY HAD NO NEW INFORMATION ON THESE CASES. IN GIA LAI PROVINCE, RIT INTERVIEWED FOUR INDIVIDUALS WHO RECOVERED HUMAN REMAINS (JAW BONE WITH AT LEAST 23 TEETH) AND MATERIAL EVIDENCE PROBABLY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1364 (GROUND, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RIT EXAMINED REMAINS AND ANTHROPOLOGIST DETERMINED THEM TO BE CAUCASOID. REMAINS WERE TURNED OVER TO VNOSMP REPRESENTATIVES FOR REVIEW BY JOINT FORENSIC TEAM. MATERIAL EVIDENCE INCLUDED TWO IDENTIFICATION TAGS ASSOCIATED

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WITH UNACCOUNTED-FOR INDIVIDUAL.

(3) UNILATERAL INVESTIGATIONS. VNOSMP TURNED OVER SIX REPORTS OF UNILATERAL INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED DURING JUL 97. REPORTS RELATED TO CASES 0309, 0462, 0495, 0819, 0958, AND 1107. REPORTS FORWARDED TO HQ JTF-FA.

B. LAOS.

(1) SUMMARY OF JFA 95-5L. JTF-FA INVESTIGATION AND RECOVERY TEAM (IRT) CONSISTING OF ONE INVESTIGATION ELEMENT AND THREE RECOVERY ELEMENTS (40 PERSONNEL) CONDUCTED JFA 97-5L FROM 25 JUN TO 26 JUL 97. IRT INVESTIGATED 18 CASES AND EXCAVATED 3 SITES (CASES 1361, 0018, AND 1344). EXCAVATION SITES WERE NOT CLOSED. REMAINS WERE RECOVERED FROM SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1361. IRT RECEIVED EXCELLENT COOPERATION FROM THE LAO GOVERNMENT. TEAM DOCTOR AND MEDICS TREATED OR EXAMINED 624 LAO PATIENTS DURING THIS JFA.

(2) ARCHIVAL RESEARCH TEAM (ART) DID NOT REVIEW ANY FILM TITLES FROM THE LAO NATIONAL FILM ARCHIVES AND VIDEO CENTER (NFAVC) THIS WEEK. ON 3 AUG 97, MEMBERS OF THE NFAVC RETURNED FROM PAKXE, CHAMPASAK PROVINCE, WHERE THEY CATALOGUED FILM TITLES NOT COMPLETED DURING THEIR JUN 97 TRIP. ON 4 AUG 97, ART VISITED PAKKAN, BOLIKHAMXAI PROVINCE, TO EXPLAIN THE ARCHIVAL RESEARCH PROGRAM OBJECTIVES TO PROVINCIAL OFFICIALS AND SURVEY FILM ARCHIVES, LIBRARIES, AND MUSEUMS. ART FOUND NO ARCHIVE FACILITIES IN BOLIKHAMXAI PROVINCE. ON 6 AUG 97, ART DEPARTED FOR ARCHIVAL SURVEYS IN SARAVAN, XEKONG, AND ATTAPU PROVINCES.

C. CAMBODIA. NTR.

3. INTELLIGENCE. SENT NINE REPORTS TO SERVICE CASUALTY OFFICES FOR RELEASE TO NEXT OF KIN.

4. LOGISTICS.

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A. DET ONE. COMPLETED DEPLOYMENT OF 47TH JFA PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT TO VIETNAM VIA C-130 AIRCRAFT. CONDUCTED WEEKLY C-130 CHANNEL FLIGHT TO VIENTIANE AND HANOI. A FULLY MISSION CAPABLE AIRCRAFT WAS AVAILABLE THE ENTIRE WEEK TO SUPPORT POTENTIAL MEDEVAC MISSIONS.

B. DET TWO. SUPPORTING TEAMS CONDUCTING 47TH JFA. COORDINATING LEASE FOR DET TWO FACILITY. WATER PRESSURE PROBLEM TO DET TWO FACILITY APPEARS RESOLVED. LANDLORD HAD WORKERS FLUSH WATER LINES AND REPLACE PIPE SEGMENTS.

C. DET THREE. CIVIL AFFAIRS LIAISON TEAM (CALT) CONTINUES OPERATIONS. UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE OPERATIONS CONTINUE. DET THREE WORKING WITH HQ JTF-FA TO REPAIR FILM EDITING MACHINE. TWO VEHICLES ARE DEADLINED AND THREE GENERATORS ARE IN REPAIR.

D. DET FOUR. U.S. EMBASSY PAYING DET FOUR BILLS WHILE DET REMAINS UNMANNED.

E. HQ JTF-FA. WORKING ON REPAIR OF FILM EDITING MACHINE FOR

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DET THREE. CONTINUING COORDINATING OF CALT AND OTHER OPERATIONS. PLANNING ONGOING FOR NEXT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE OPERATION (OPERATION PAJERO).

5. COMMUNICATIONS/CONNECTIVITY. NTR.

6. PERSONNEL. MANNING THIS WEEK AT 145 MILITARY PERSONNEL (158 AUTHORIZED) AND 18 CIVILIANS (22 AUTHORIZED).

7. SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL/DIPLOMATIC/MILITARY/PAO EVENTS.

A. DET ONE. DET CDR PRESENTED BRIEFS ON DET ONE MISSION AND JTF-FA OPERATIONS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA TO THE 97-3 CAPSTONE CLASS ON 2 AUG 97, AND TO MRS. EVA GROENING, INCOMING ADMIN OFFICER, U.S. EMBASSY HANOI, ON 5 AUG 97.

B. DET TWO.

(1) THERE WERE TWO INSTANCES THIS WEEK WHEN VNOSMP ADVANCE WORK FAILED TO PROVIDE REASONABLE PRICES FOR LAND COMPENSATION. IN BINH DINH PROVINCE, RIT DID NOT INVESTIGATE CASE BECAUSE LZ COMPENSATION PRICE WAS EXORBITANT. IN HA TINH PROVINCE, VNOSMP COULD NOT GET LANDOWNER TO REDUCE LAND COMPENSATION PRICE. DET CDR AGREED TO LAND COMPENSATION PRICE IN ORDER TO COMPLETE CASE. ON 5 AUG 97, DET CDR DISCUSSED ISSUE WITH MR. HUNG, DEPUTY VNOSMP, AND OBTAINED AGREEMENT TO MEET AFTER THE 47TH JFA TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION FOR LAND DAMAGE AND LANDING ZONES.

(2) ON 6 AUG 97, DET CDR PRESENTED MISSION BRIEF TO CODEL ROGERS, CUNNINGHAM, LATHAM, AND MORAN.

C. DET THREE. ON 1 AUG 97, DET CDR MADE INTRODUCTORY CALLS ON MR. SOUTHAM SAKONHNINHOM, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, EUROPE AND AMERICAS DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AND COL PRASEUTH KASEMSOUK, FOREIGN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE.

D. DET FOUR. DET FOUR CURRENTLY UNMANNED DUE TO CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION AND REMOVAL OF NON-ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL FROM CAMBODIA. DET FOUR PERSONNEL TEMPORARILY OPERATING FROM DET ONE IN BANGKOK.

E. HQ JTF-FA.

(1) ON 4 AUG 97, CJTF-FA HOSTED COMMAND BRIEF FOR MR. DENNIS HARTER, INCOMING DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, U.S. EMBASSY, HANOI.

(2) ON 4-5 AUG 97, PERSONNEL FROM THE DEFENSE POW/MISSING PERSONNEL OFFICE (DPMO) MET WITH JTF-FA AND CILHI STAFF FOR QUARTERLY WORKING LEVEL DISCUSSIONS OF POLICY ISSUES. ISSUES DISCUSSED INCLUDED SRV AND LAO UNILATERAL PROGRAMS, LAO CONSULTATIVE MEETING, LAO ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM, UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS, CILHI STATISTICAL REMAINS REPORTING, THIRD METHOD OF ACCOUNTING, AND REMAINS STUDY. ON 5 AUG 97, MR. LIOTTA, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DPMO, MET WITH DEPUTY USCINCPAC, J3, J5, AND CJTF-FA, TO DISCUSS KOREAN ACCOUNTING ISSUES.

(3) ON 6 AUG 97, CJTF-FA HOSTED COMMAND BRIEF FOR LAO PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS SOMPHAND PHENGKHAMMY (HOUAPHAN PROVINCE), PHOUMY THIPPAVONE (XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE), AND SOUKANH MAHARAT (BOKEO PROVINCE). LAO GOVERNORS ALSO RECEIVED BRIEFINGS AT USCINCPAC, CILHI, AND ASIA PACIFIC CENTER. LAO GOVERNORS WERE

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VISITING HAWAII UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY'S INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAM.

(4) ON 6 AUG 97, CJTF-FA HOSTED COMMAND BRIEF FOR EIGHT USCINCPAC J6 STAFF MEMBERS AND TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JOINT STAFF DIRECTORATE.

8. COMMANDER'S TDY SCHEDULE. SOUTHEAST ASIA 10-16 AUG 97.

9. COMMANDER'S COMMENTS: NTR.

10. USCINCPAC POC: MAJ DENNIS CRIMIEL, USAF, J327, DSN 477-3590.//

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