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/******* THIS IS A COMBINED MESSAGE ********/ MSGID/GENADMIN/JTF-FA/J5// SUBJ/JTF-FA SITREP 00-36// RMKS/1. THIS SITREP COVERS PERIOD FROM 312000ZAUG00 TO 071959ZSEP00.

- 2. OPERATIONS.
- A. VIETNAM. 62ND JFA ONGOING (28 AUG-27 SEP 00). FIELD TEAMS HAD DOWN DAY ON 2-3 SEP 00 IN OBSERVANCE OF VIETNAMESE INDEPENDENCE DAY
- (1) INVESTIGATION ELEMENT ONE (IE1). IN DA NANG, INVESTIGATED CASE 1524 (0-2A, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). IN THUA THIEN-HUE PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASES 0856 (E-1B, FIVE UNACCOUNTED FOR) AND 1577 (UH-1E, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR).
- (2) IE2. IN QUANG NGAI PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASE 1440 (UH-1H, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). IN BINH DINH PROVINCE, INVESTIGATED CASES 0224 (UH-1D, FOUR UNACCOUNTED FOR) AND 2057 (GROUND, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR) AND UNCORRELATED REPORT UN08.
- (3) RECOVERY ELEMENT ONE (RE1). IN HA NAM PROVINCE, EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE (SH-3A, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS, AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT, AND AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE.
- (4) RE2. IN HA TINH PROVINCE, EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE FOR ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR ... RECOVERED AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE. (b) (3)
 - (5) RE3. IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, BEGAN EXCAVATING SITE

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(6) RE4. IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE, EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE _____ (F-4D, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT. ALSO RECEIVED MISSION HAND OVER BRIEF FROM RE3 AND CONDUCTED RECON OF SITE 1295 (ALTERNATE SITE). EXCAVATE CASE 1295. AFTER CASE ______-IS-CLOSED:

(7) RE5. IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE, EXCAVATING SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1999 (CH-53D, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS, PERSONAL EFFECTS, AND AIRCREW-RELATED EQUIPMENT.

(8) RE6. IN QUANG NAM PROVINCE, ON 7 SEP 00, COMPLETED EXCAVATION AND CLOSED SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE GROUND, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR). RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS, PERSONAL EFFECTS, AND CLOTHING ITEMS. RE6 MOVED TO AND SURVEYED SITE ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0439 (GROUND, THREE UNACCOUNTED FOR).

- (9) RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATION TEAM (RIT). TRAVELED TO CAT BA ISLAND AND SURVEYED REPORTED CRASH SITE ON ISLAND.
 - B. LAOS. PREPARING FOR JFA 01-1L (29 SEP-28 OCT 00).
 - C. CAMBODIA. NTR.
- 3. NEXT OF KIN REPORTS. JTF-FA SENT FIVE REPORTS TO SERVICE CASUALTY OFFICES FOR RELEASE TO NEXT OF KIN. 4. LOGISTICS.
- A. DET ONE. SUPPORTED LAO POW/MIA DELEGATION DURING OVERNIGHT LAYOVER EN ROUTE TO HAWAII.
- B. DET TWO. SUPPORTED 62ND JFA OPERATIONS. BEGAN COORDINATION WITH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES ON IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT.
- C. DET THREE. SUPPORTED LAO POW/MIA DELEGATION VISIT TO HAWAII.
- D. HQ JTF-FA. SUPPORTED ONGOING JFA OPERATIONS IN VIETNAM CONTINUED COORDINATING WITH DET TWO, NAVAL REGIONAL CONTRACTING CENTER, SINGAPORE AND HQ USCINCPAC ON PAJERO VEHICLE REPLACEMENT AND HELICOPTER CONTRACT ISSUES CONTINUED END OF YEAR BUDGET PROCESSING.
- 5. COMMUNICATIONS/CONNECTIVITY. DET TWO COORDINATING WITH VIETNAMESE AGENCIES CONCERNING PROCUREMENT OF HF AND INMARSAT RADIOS.
- 6. PERSONNEL. MANNING THIS WEEK AT 143 MILITARY PERSONNEL (133 AUTHORIZED) AND 23 CIVILIANS (23 AUTHORIZED). GAIN: MAJ ANTHONY C. THOMAS, USAF, J2.
- 7. SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL/DIPLOMATIC/MILITARY/PAO EVENTS.
- A. DURING 4-8 SEP 00, 11 MEMBER LAO POW/MIA DELEGATION LED BY AMB DONE SOMVORACHIT, DIRECTOR GENERAL, DEPT OF EUROPE AND AMERICAS (DEA), MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA), VISITED JTF-FA AND CILHI FOR OPERATIONAL DISCUSSIONS. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION INCLUDED COL SISOPHONE BANGONESENGDET, DIRECTOR GENERAL, EXTERNAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT (ERD), MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE (MND); MR. OUNKHAM LORSITTHIVONG, DIRECTOR GENERAL, DOCUMENT ARCHIVES DEPT, MND; MR. VANTHONG

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CORDIAL. LAO AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO CROSS BORDER EMERGENCY
MEDEVAC WITH CONDITIONS TO BE WORKED_OUT, _PERSONNEL_INCREASE.FROM.
40 TO 45, EXCEPTIONS TO NORTH-SOUTH PROTOCOL ON CASE BY CASE
BASIS, AND EXTENSIONS OF EXCAVATIONS OF UP TO 10 DAYS ON CASE BY
CASE BASIS. LAO ALSO AGREED NOT TO INCLUDE
DEPLOYMENT/REDEPLOYMENT DAYS AND DAYS LOST TO WEATHER IN 30 DAY
TIME FRAME FOR FIELD ACTIVITIES. CJTF-FA AGREED TO CONSIDER LAO
REQUESTS FOR INCREASED SALARY AND PER DIEM FOR TEAM MEMBERS,
ECONOMIC COMPENSATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE ONCE DEFINITIVE
PROPOSALS RECEIVED, DESTRUCTION OF UXO AT FIELD SITES, EMERGENCY
MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR LAO TEAM MEMBERS, AND TO ADDRESS REMAINING
ISSUES AT UPCOMING CONSULTATIVE TALKS IN NOV 00.

- B. ON 5 SEP 00, REPRESENTATIVE FROM REUTERS NEWS AGENCY-HANOI VISITED RE5 IN QUANG TRI PROVINCE.
- C. ON 5 SEPT 00, PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER BRIEFED MG LOWE, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF, HQ USCINCPAC, CAMP SMITH, HI.// ADMIN BT

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REF: (U) IIR 6 024 0037 00/REMAINS AND IDENTIFICATION TAGS HELD IN KOH KONG PROVINCE, CAMBODIA.

REQS: (U) D-VOP-1587-008-98.

TEXT: (DPMO/RA-SEA) MR. ON CHINDA, EMPLOYEE OF THE KOH KONG PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, CLAIMED TO HAVE FOUND THE REMAINS OF TWO AMERICAN PILOTS ON THE THAI/CAMBODIAN BORDER. THESE REMAINS WERE PURPORTEDLY BROUGHT FROM NORTHERN VIETNAM BY VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS SEEKING TO SELL THEM FOR (THE EQUIVALENT OF OVER) \$2500. MR. CHINDA SAID HE WOULD NEED "SUBSTANTIAL" COMPENSATION FOR TURNING IN THESE REMAINS. DOG TAGS ALLEGEDLY FOUND WITH THE REMAINS IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS AS EDWARD HARRIS US67109257, AND THEODORE P. OLER

(b) (6) MR. CHINDA SAID THE SPIRITS OF THE AMERICANS CONTACTED HIM AND TOLD HIM TO DIG UP THE REMAINS. THE SPIRITS REPORTEDLY ALSO ASKED MR. CHINDA TO BRING THEM SOME BEER.

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1. (U) (DPMO/RA-SEA) EDWARD HARRIS AND THEODORE OLER WERE NOT POW/MIA/KIA DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. FURTHER, DPMO HAS RECEIVED SEVERAL SIMILAR BOGUS REPORTS CONCERNING THIS PAIR, THOUGH IN SOME "OLER" IS SPELLED "CLER." AT LEAST ONE PREVIOUS REPORT HAS

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