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2. (#) (PACOM) REPRO 1610 INVOLVES THE LOSS ON 2 MAY 1970 OF A UH-1H HELICOPTER WHILE ON A LOGISTICAL SUPPORT MISSION FROM TAY MINE CITY TO THE KATUM FIRE SUPPORT BASE. WHILE DEVIATING AROUND A RAINSTORM, THE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT BY HEAVY AUTOMATIC MEAPONS FIRE, FORCING THE PILOT TO MAKE AN EMERGENCY LANDING IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XU243013, APPROXIMATELY BIGHT KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF MEMOT CITY, KAMPONG CHAM PROVINCE. UPON LANDING, ALL HIGHT INDIVIDUALS OF BOARD, FOUR CREWMEMBERS AND FOUR PASSENGERS, EVACUATED

CREWMEMBERS MEAR THE CRASE SITE. LOCAL VILLAGERS HAD NO INFORMATION REGARDING ANY GRAVES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS INCIDENT OR A MEARBY WARTIME VIETNAMBER PRISON CAMP. THIS REPORT PROBABLY CORRELATES TO

IMDIVIDUALS ON BOARD, FOUR CREWMEMBERS AND FOUR PASSEMENS, EVACUATED THE HELICOPTER AND WERE TAKEN UNDER EMEMY FIRE. THE DOOR GUNNER EVADED FROM THE CRASH SITE AND RETURNED TO U.S. CONTROL ON 4 MAY. FOUR INDIVIDUALS, THREE CREWMEMBERS AND ONE PASSENGER, WERE CAPTURED.

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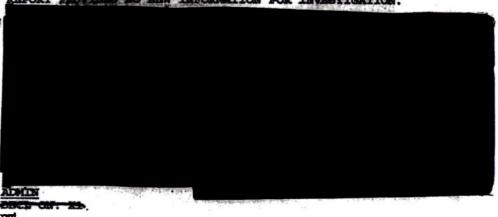
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OF THREE, TWO INDIVIDUALS WERE REPURNED DURING OPERATION HOMECOMING THE VIETNAMESE REPATRIATED THE REMAINS OF AND TWO DIED IN CAPTIVITY.

OME OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO DIED IN CAPTIVITY IN APRIL 1989. OTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO DIED IN CAPTIVITY AND THE REMAINING THREE PASSENGERS ARE UNACCOUNTED-FOR.

3. (F) (PACON) THIS REPORT CORRELATES WELL TO REFINO 1610, BASHO ON LOCATION AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS. THE REPMO 1610 CRASH SITE IS

LOCATED LESS TWO KILOMETERS FROM THE SITE THAT SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS ON BOARD THE CRASHED HELICOPTER WERE CAPTURED BY VIETNAMESE FORCES, AND TAKEN AWAY, WELLE OTHERS WERE APPARENTLY KILLED AT THE CRASH SITE. SIMILAR INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE GUMBER AFTER HIS RETURN. BO MEW INFORMATION FOR INVESTIGATION.



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