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COUNTRY: (U) CAMBODIA (CB).

SUBJ: (U) IIR EVALUATION [REDACTED]

REF: (U) [REDACTED] HELICOPTER CRASH NEAR PHUM ROMEAS CHOL, KAMPONG PROVINCE, CAMBODIA.

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TEXT: (U):

CONRESP: 1. (S) (PACOM) THIS REPORT PRESENTS FIRSTHAND INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REGARDING A HELICOPTER WHICH REPORTEDLY CRASHED NEAR PHUM CHLIEB VILLAGE (XU2400). [REDACTED] TWO OR THREE CREWMEMBERS EXIT THE CRASHED HELICOPTER. THESE CREWMEMBERS WERE CAPTURED BY VIETNAMESE FORCES AND TAKEN TO A WOODED AREA NORTHEAST OF

THE CRASH SITE. LATER, [REDACTED] THE BODIES OF TWO DEAD CREWMEMBERS NEAR THE CRASH SITE. LOCAL VILLAGERS HAD NO INFORMATION REGARDING ANY GRAVES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS INCIDENT OR A NEARBY WARTIME VIETNAMESE PRISON CAMP. THIS REPORT PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 1610.

2. (S) (PACOM) REFNO 1610 INVOLVES THE LOSS ON 2 MAY 1970 OF A UH-1H

HELICOPTER WHILE ON A LOGISTICAL SUPPORT MISSION FROM TRAY NINE CITY TO THE KATUM FIRE SUPPORT BASE. WHILE DEVIATING AROUND A RAINSTORM, THE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT BY HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE, FORCING THE PILOT TO MAKE AN EMERGENCY LANDING IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XU243013, APPROXIMATELY EIGHT KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF MEMOT CITY, KAMPONG CHAM PROVINCE. UPON LANDING, ALL EIGHT INDIVIDUALS ON BOARD, FOUR CREWMEMBERS AND FOUR PASSENGERS, EVACUATED THE HELICOPTER AND WERE TAKEN UNDER ENEMY 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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OF THESE, TWO INDIVIDUALS WERE RETURNED DURING OPERATION HOMECOMING AND TWO DIED IN CAPTIVITY. THE VIETNAMESE REPATRIATED THE REMAINS OF

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

3. (S) (PACOM) THIS REPORT CORRELATES WELL TO REFNO 1610 BASED ON LOCATION AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS. THE REFNO 1610 CRASH SITE IS

LOCATED LESS TWO KILOMETERS FROM THE SITE [REDACTED] THAT SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS ON BOARD THE CRASHED HELICOPTER WERE CAPTURED BY VIETNAMESE FORCES AND TAKEN AWAY, WHILE OTHERS WERE APPARENTLY KILLED AT THE CRASH SITE. SIMILAR INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE GUNNER AFTER HIS RETURN. REPORT PROVIDES NO NEW INFORMATION FOR INVESTIGATION.



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