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REPORT 2/R0/VCA/R940-71, DTG, 18/0646Z DEC 71 SONGBIRD IACREP RASEP
[REDACTED] FOXTROT BRAVO DTG, 18/0918Z DEC 71 AVN/AVIA-A/I [REDACTED] INVAF MIGS IN REACTION
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ON 18 DEC 71, NVN TACAIR COMMS REFLECTED BETWEEN 0638Z AND 0921Z THE REACTIONS OF MIG-21 AIRCRAFT TO ALLIED AIRCRAFT OPERATING IN THE BARTHELEMY PASS AREA. AT 0641-0710Z FOUR MIG-19'S FROM YEN BAI AND FOUR MIG-21'S FROM PHUC YEN WERE NOTED ACTIVE AGAINST ALLIED AIRCRAFT AND AT 0641Z ONE MIG-21 PILOT STATED THAT HE HAD FIRED A MISSILE, BUT GAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS. THE MIG'S THEN PROCEEDED TO CONDUCT DEFENSIVE PATROLS AT HEADINGS OF 203 AND 310, FOR MIG-19'S AND A120 AND 300 DEGREES, FOR MIG-21 AIRCRAFT. AT 0720Z, ALL AIRCRAFT HAD RETURNED TO BASE. BETWEEN 0759Z AND 0829Z TWO ADDITIONAL MIG-21'S AND ALSO TWO ADDITIONAL MIG-19'S WERE NOTED AIRBORNE, AGAIN BOTH TYPE AIRCRAFT WERE CONDUCTING DEFENSIVE PATROLS. AT 0817Z THE MIG-21'S DROPPED THEIR TANKS AND HIT AFTERBURNERS. AT 0820Z THE MIG-21'S ATTACHED AND AT 0823Z THEY BROKE AWAY AND ASSUMED A HEADING OF 360 DEGREES. AT 0824Z THE MIG-19'S WERE TOLD TO RETURN TO BASE AND AT 0825Z THE MIG-21 PILOTS INFORMED THEIR CONTROLLER THAT THEY WERE LOW ON FUEL. AT 0829Z THE MIG-21'S WERE NOTED IN A LANDING PATTERN AT PHUC YEN AND INFORMED THE CONTROLLER THAT THEY HAD NOT FIRED A MISSILE. NO FURTHER REFLECTS OF THE MIG-91'S WERE NOTED AT THAT TIME. BETWEEN 0838Z AND 0916Z IT WAS NOTED A MINIMUM OF FIVE MIG-21'S CONDUCTING DEFENSIVE PATROLS AND ATTACKS AGAINST ALLIED AIRCRAFT. AT 0838Z, ONE MIG-71 WAS NOTED IN AN APPARENT DEFENSIVE PATROL. AT 0844Z ONE MIG-21 WAS AT MAXIMUM RPM'S AND BEING VECTORED INTO A TARGET. AT 0853Z, TWO MIG-21'S [REDACTED] WERE NOTED HEADING 120 DEGREES WITH A TARGET 17 KILOMETERS AWAY. AT 0858Z, ONE MIG-21 [REDACTED] WAS NOTED WITH AFTERBURNERS ON AND HEADING OF 160 DEGREES. AT 0904Z, MIG-21 [REDACTED] WAS NOTED ON A HEADING OF 330 DEGREES. AT 0910Z, TWO MIG-21'S [REDACTED] WERE NOTED ON A HEADING OF 150 DEGREES AND AT 0911Z CHANGED TO A HEADING OF 330 DEGREES. AT 0916Z, ONE MIG-21 WAS NOTED ON A HEADING OF 330 DEGREES. COMMENTS, AT 0921Z, NO FURTHER ACTIVITY WAS NOTED BY THIS STATION. IT WOULD APPEAR IN ALL THREE RAIDS OF ACTIVITY THAT PLAN C\$ WAS BEING USED BY THE PHUC YEN BASED MIG-21'S AND YEN BAI BASED MIG-19'S. XXHH 600 01706 N,,

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