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ENP01-0072181 2/00/LSVCK=EIR78-72, SPOT RPT FUI TO 24 [ ] VCA/R580, 270146Z JUN  
72 AVN, ALS/OPER-V/I) NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE MIGS DOWN THREE U.S. AIRCRAFT  
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THREE U.S. AIRCRAFT WERE SHOT DOWN BY NORTH VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE (NVAF) MIG-21'S ON 27 JUNE. BETWEEN 0138 AND 0211, TWO PHUC YEN- BASED MIG-21 PFM'S SHOT DOWN ONE U.S. AIRCRAFT, AND TWO YEN BAI- BASED MIG-21'S WERE NOTED IN AN ATTEMPTED INTERCEPT. TWO PHUC YEN- BASED MIG-21 PFM'S DOWNED ANOTHER U.S. AIRCRAFT BETWEEN 0451 AND 0516, WHILE TWO MIG-21'S FROM YEN BAI AIRFIELD SHOT DOWN THE THIRD U.S. AIRCRAFT DURING THE 0456-0527 TIME PERIOD. /DETAILS

0100/0200 HOURS AT 0138, TWO PHUC YEN-BASED MIG-21 PILOTS WERE INSTRUCTED BY THE PHUC YEN CONTROLLER TO START THEIR ENGINES, AND THREE MINUTES LATER THESE PILOTS WERE INSTRUCTED TO SCRAMBLE. AT 0142, THE LEAD PILOT WAS TOLD TO OBTAIN AN ALTITUDE OF 500 METERS (1,640 FT) AND TO ASSUME A HEADING OF 290 DEGREES. TWO MINUTES LATER THE LEAD PILOT WAS INFORMED THAT THE \$HOSTILES\$ WERE FROM \$THE AREA OF SUOI RUT ((1)) AND ENTER- ING THE AREA OF HOA BINH ((2)).\$ THE LEAD PILOT THEN REQUESTED BOTH THE ALTITUDE AND THE NUMBER OF THE \$HOSTILES\$. THE PHUC YEN CONTROLLER TOLD HIM THEIR ALTITUDE RANGED FROM 650 METERS TO 700 METERS AND THAT THERE WERE FOUR \$HOSTILES\$ TO HIS LEFT SIDE AT 45 DEGREES AND 50 KILOMETERS AWAY. AT 0146, THE LEAD PILOT WAS INSTRUCTED TO DROP HIS AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS, GO ON AFTERBURNERS AND ASSUME AN ALTITUDE OF 700 METERS. AT THAT TIME, THE REMOTE CONTROLLER SUBORDINATE TO PHUC YEN INFORMED THE PILOTS THAT THE \$HOSTILES\$ WERE TO THEIR LEFT SIDE AT 80 DEGREES AND 25 KILOMETERS AWAY. THE LEAD PILOT STATED THAT HE \$ COULD SEE THE THEM (HOSTILES) 30 DEGREES TO THE FRONT\$. AT 0148 THE PHUC YEN CONT- ROLLER INSTRUCTED THE LEAD PILOT, \$DON'T WAIT AT HOA LAC, WAIT TO THE NORTH\$. ONE MINUTE LATER, THE LEAD PILOT WAS INFORMED THAT THERE WERE FOUR TO SIX \$HOSTILES\$ TO HIS RIGHT AT 30 DEGREES AND 15 KILOMETERS AWAY. AT 0151 THE WINGMAN TOLD THE LEAD PILOT THAT HE \$DID NOT SEE THEM AT ALL,\$ AND THE LEAD PILOT REPLIED THAT THERE WERE FOUR \$HOSTILES\$ BELOW\$. AT THIS TIME THE PILOTS WERE TOLD TO WORK CALMLY AND QUICKLY. TWO MINUTES LATER A REMOTE CONTRLLER AT HANOI BAC MAI THAT THE \$ FOUR AIRCRAFT ABOVE TUONG TINH ((3)) WERE GOING TO TUNG TINH.\$ THE S SENIOR GCI CONTRLLER THEN ASKED THE LEAD PILOT IF HE \$SAW THE TARGET,\$ AND THE PILOT ANSWERED AFFIRMATIVELY. THE LEAD PILOT THEN STATED THAT \$AN AIRCRAFT IS BURNING, HE IS BURNING.\$ AT 0154 THE WINGMAN REQUESTED THAT HE \$BE OBSERVED\$ AFTER HE FINISHED HIS ATTACK. AT THIS TIME PHUC YEN ASKED THE WINMAN IF HE SAW \$ ONE AIRCRAFT BURNING,\$ AND THE PILOT REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY. ALSO, AN UNIDENTIFIED GROUND CONTROLLER, POSSIBLY LOCATED IN THE SUONG AREA, INFORMED THE PHUC YEN

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CONTROLLER THA T \$THREE AIRCRAFT AT HANOI ARE GOING OUT, TWO AIRCRAFT BURNING, PILOT BAILED OUT. \$ AT 0156 THE LEAD PILOT INSTRUCTED HIS WINGMAN TO RETURN TO PHUC YEN, AND BY 0201 BOTH MIG-21'S HAD RECOVERED AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD. AT 0149, TWO YEN BAI-BASED MIG-21 PILOTS WERE INSTRUCTED BY THE YEN BAI CONTROLLER TO TAKE OFF AND THE PILOTS WERE ADVISED TO INCREASE ALERTNESS TO THE SOUTHWEST AT 59 KILOMETERS. AT 0154 THE LEAD AIRCRAFT WAS INSTRUCTED TO WORK WITH THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER. AT THIS TIME THE WINGMAN INFORMED THE LEAD PILOT THAT \$TO THE RIGHT 150 DEGREES RANGE AT 15 KILOMETERS THERE IS A RAID. \$ THE LEAD PILOT THEN INSTRUCTED HIS WINGMAN TO DROP HIS AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS. ONE MINUTE LATER THE WINGMAN INFORMED THE LEAD PILOT THAT THERE WERE FOUR AIRCRAFT ((HOSTILES)) ON HIS RIGHT 45 DEGREES. AT 0156 THE WINGMAN TOLD THE LEAD PILOT TO PREPARE TO ENTER AND ATTACK. TWO MINUTES LATER THE LEAD PILOT INFORMED THE CONTROLLER THAT HE SAW TWO AIRCRAFT. AT THIS TIME THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER TOLD THE PILOTS TO PAY ATTENTION AND \$ THERE IS ONE RAID CROSSING TO YOUR RIGHT SIDE AT 20 DEGREES AND 15 KILOMETERS AWAY. \$ AT 0203 THE LEAD PILOT ASKED IF THEY WERE TO RETURN TO YEN BAI AND RECOVER; THE CONTROLLER REPLIED \$NOT YET. \$ TWO MINUTES LATER THE LEAD PILOT WAS INFORMED THAT THE \$HOSTILES\$ WERE LEAVING AND TOLD TO RETURN TO YEN BAI AND REDUCE THEIR ALTITUDE. AT 0211 BOTH OF THE MIG'S HAD RECOVERED AT YEN BAI. XXHH 749 #0756 NNNN

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TWO MIG-21 PFM'S WERE SCRAMBLED FROM PHUC YEN AIRFIELD AT 0451 AND RECEIVED INSTRUCTION TO ASSUME A HEADING OF 210 DEGREES. THEY WERE INFORMED AT 0454 THAT \$HOSTILES\$ WERE 45 KILOMETERS AWAY AT A HEADING OF 20 DEGREES. THE LEAD PILOT WAS TOLD TO DROP AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS AND OPEN BOOSTERS AT 0502 WITH THE \$HOSTILES\$ 20 KILOMETERS AWAY AT A HEADING OF 20 DEGREES. THE LEAD PILOT WAS TOLD TO DROP AUXILIARY FUEL TANKS AND OPEN BOOSTERS AT 0502 WITH THE \$HOSTILES\$ 20 KILOMETERS AWAY AT A TEN DEGREE HEADING. THE LEAD PILOT REPORTED SEEING TWO \$HOSTILES\$ AT A HEADING OF 30 DEGREES 12 KILOMETERS AWAY AT 0503 AND WAS ORDERED TO ATTACK. NO ATTACK WAS REFLECTED IN COMMUNICATIONS AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER, THE LEAD PILOT NEXT INFORMED HIS WINGMAN THAT \$HOSTILES\$ WERE EIGHT KILOMETERS AWAY AND MANEUVERING. AT 0505 NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE FACILITIES REFLECTED THE MIG'S ENTERING LAOTIAN AIRSPACE AT 20-52N 104-23E ON A WESTERLY HEADING. ONE MINUTE LATER THE MIG'S MERGED WITH THE HOSTILES AT 20-55N 104-10E. AT THIS TIME THE WINGMAN CLAIMED THAT THE ENEMY AIRCRAFT WAS \$BURNING\$. THE LEAD PILOT REPEATED, \$ HE HAS BURST INTO FLAMES ALREADY. \$ THE MIG'S THEN TURNED SOUTHWEST TO 20-45N 104-10E, THEN SOUTH TO 20-38N 104-00E, AND THEN CONTINUED ON A NORTHEAST HEADING, RE-ENTERING NVN AT 20-52N 104-23E AT 0508. BOTH MIG'S RE-COVERED AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD AT 0516. TWO NVAF MIG-21'S STAGING FROM YEN BAI AIRFIELD WERE FIRST NOTED AIRBORNE AT 0456 ON A HEADING OF 360 DEGREES. AT 0501 THEY WERE INSTRUCTED BY THE CONTROLLER TO ASSUME A HEADING OF 230 DEGREES AND ONE MINUTE LATER WERE BEING VECTORED TOWARD \$HOSTILE\$ AIRCRAFT 90 KM AWAY. THE PILOT REPORTED SIGHTING TWO CONTRAILS TO HIS LEFT AT 0503 AND ORDERED HIS WINGMAN TO GO TO AFTERBURNERS AND DROP HIS AUXILIARY FUEL TANK. ONE MINUTE LATER THE LEAD PILOT REPORTED TO THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER THAT THE \$DISTANCE OF THE HOSTILES IS FAR\$ AND HE HAD \$LOST CONTACT WITH THE HOSTILES. \$ HE THEN INSTRUCTED HIS WINGMAN TO TURN OFF HIS \$AFTERBURNERS. THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER THEN INFORMED THE PILOTS OF THE \$HOSTILES\$ POSITION AND ALERTED THEM TO ADDITIONAL MIG'S IN THEIR VICINITY. BETWEEN 0506 AND 0509 THE MIG'S WERE BEING VECTORED TOWARD THE \$HOSTILES. \$ AT 0509 THE LEAD PILOT REPORTED THAT \$THEY ARE DROPPING THEIR BOMBS, NOW WE STRIKE THEM, BE READY TO USE YOUR MISSILES. \$ THEN A REMOTE CONTROLLER SUBORDINATE TO THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER INFORMED THE PILOTS THAT THERE WERE FOUR ADDITIONAL \$HOSTILES\$ AT A HEADING OF 360 DEGREES, 15 DEGREES TO THEIR LEFT SIDE AND 20 KM AWAY. AT 0514 THE CONTROLLER INFORMED THE PILOTS THAT THE \$HOSTILES\$ WERE NOW

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TO THEIR RIGHT SIDE AT 30 DEGREES AND TWO KM AWAY. THE PILOTS HAD MADE VISUAL CONTACT WITH THE \$HOSTILES\$ AT 0513 BUT IMMEDIATELY LOST THEM WHEN THEY FLEW INTO CLOUDS. THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER CONTINUED TO KEEP THE PILOTS AWARE OF THE \$HOSTILES'\$ POSITION. XXHH 549 #0757 NNNN

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AT 0515 THE SENIOR GCI CONTROLLER BEGAN VECTORING THE PILOTS AGAINST THE HOSTILES, RESULTING IN THE SHOOTDOWN OF ONE U.S. AIRCRAFT AT 0518 AT 21-05N 104-23E BY THE WINGMAN. THE SHOOTDOWN WAS CONFIRMED BY THE PHUC YEN GCI CONTROLLER. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE MIG'S CONTINUED TOWARDS YEN BAI AIRFIELD WHERE THEY LANED AT 0527. [ ] FROM 0458 TO 0530 INDICATING AT LEAST ONE NVAF MIG-21 AIRBORNE AS FAR WEST OF HANOI AS 21-18N 103-54E. AT 0753 RADAR COMPANY 34 (PHU THO), SUBORDINATE TO THE 293RD RECONNAISSANCE REGIMENT, REPORTED THAT AT 0518 IT WAS ABLE TO HELP BRING TO AN END TWO F-4'S IN THE MOC CHAU AREA. MESSAGES PASSED ON NVN AIR SURVEILLANCE COMMUNICATIONS MADE SEVERAL REFERENCES TO THE SHOOTDOWNS WHICH OCCURRED, THROUGHOUT THE DAY. AT 1325Z THE CONTROLLER FOR THE 292ND RECONNAISSANCE REGIMENT (NA SAN) REPORTED THAT BEGINNING AT 0445 ON THAT DAY, TWELVE ENEMY AIRCRAFT RAN AFOUL OF OUR INTERCEPTORS AND WERE FORCED TO FLEE, BUT NOT BEFORE WE SHOT DOWN TWO AIRCRAFT. IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE SHOOTDOWNS WERE THE RESULT OF FINE WORK BY RADAR COMPANY 22 (NEAR NA SAN AIRFIELD) AND RADAR COMPANY 37 (PA HANG). COMMENTS, COLLATERAL SOURCES CONFIRM ALL THREE OF THE ABOVE SHOOTDOWNS OF U.S. AIRCRAFT OF 27 JUNE. ((1)) 20-45N 105-04E ((2)) 20-49N 105-20E ((3)) UNLOCATED XXHH 369 0758 NNNN

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