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- REF A NPIC 8014, DTG 052141Z, AUG 66
- B NPIC 7861, DTG 240023Z, JUL 66
- C NPIC 7803, DTG 190113Z, JUL 66
- D NPIC 8000, DTG 042215Z, AUG 66

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REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE VINH/DONG HOI RAIL LINE AND ON NORTH VIETNAMESE ROUTE 1A.

18 AUG 1966

1. THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED RAILROAD CABLE BRIDGE (REF A) AT THE DESTROYED XOM KHE RAILROAD BRIDGE [REDACTED] AT 1758N 10555E HAS BEEN STRUCK AND IS SEVERELY DAMAGED. AT LEAST 3 BOMB CRATERS ARE LOCATED ON THE SOUTHERN APPROACH AND THIS APPROACH AND IT'S ASSOCIATED SECTION OF TRACKAGE ARE NO LONGER EVIDENT. PORTIONS OF THE RAILS AND TIES HAVE BEEN BLOWN OFF OF THE CABLES WHICH SPANNED THE RIVER, HOWEVER THE CABLES ARE NOT DISCERNABLE. SIX OF THE A-FRAME CABLE SUPPORTS AND PORTIONS OF RAIL REMAIN. CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ON THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY-PASS.

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2. THE CABLE BRIDGE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED UNDER CONSTRUCTION (REF B) AT THE DESTROYED KIM LU XA RAILROAD BRIDGE [REDACTED] AT 1757N 10557E HAS BEEN COMPLETED. RAILS, WHICH CONNECT TO THE

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MAIN RAIL LINE, NOW SPAN THE RIVER AND AT LEAST 7 A-FRAME CABLE SUPPORTS ARE EVIDENT. THE NUMBER OF CABLE S SPANNING THE RIVER CAN NOT BE DETERMINED, HOWEVER ONLY TWO HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBSERVED.

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3. CONSTRUCTION ON THE RAIL BY-PASS (REF C) AROUND THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE [REDACTED] AT 1754N 10600E HAS CONTINUED. A RAIL SECTION EXTENDS NORTHEASTWARD FROM THE NORTH BANK OF THE RAO NAY (STREAM) AT THE BY-PASS BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT UTM XE065800 FOR A DISTANCE OF 100 YARDS. SIX A-FRAME CABLE SUPPORTS ARE LOCATED AT THE BY-PASS BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND A PROBABLE T-SHAPED CABLE ANCHORAGE IS LOCATED ON BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH BANKS OF THE STREAM. A PROBABLE TRAMLINE CONSISTING OF TWO CABLES IS OBSERVED SPANNING THE STREAM IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE AT UTM XE063803. A PROBABLE CABLE ANCHORAGE IS LOCATED AT THE TERMINUS OF THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED RAIL SPUR AT UTM XE063805.

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4. RAILS ARE NOW OBSERVED SOUTH OF THE RAO NAY EXTENDING TO UTM XE072790 AND TIES WITHOUT RAILS EXTEND ANOTHER 100 FEET SOUTHEAST. THIS IS AN ADDITION OF APPROXIMATELY 800 YARDS OF RAIL FROM IT'S PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TERMINUS (REF D) FROM PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED]

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5. PROBABLE CABLE BRIDGES UNDER CONSTRUCTION ARE OBSERVED AT THE PHAT NAO HIGHWAY BRIDGE NORTHWEST OVER THE SONG NAI [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT 1819N 10555E (UTM WF968254) AND AT THE RU NGHEN HIGHWAY
BRIDGE OVER THE SONG NGHEN AT 1828N 10546E (UTM WF822406). CONSTRUCTION
CONSISTS OF 2 T-SHAPED CABLE ANCHORAGES AT EACH BRIDGE SIMILAR TO
ANCHORAGES OBSERVED AT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CABLE BRIDGES, HOWEVER
NO CABLES ARE DISCERNIBLE.

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MAP REF: AMS SERIES L701 SHEETS 6164I, 6264IV, 6165I, 6166II
USATC SERIES 200 SHEETS 0617-9HL & 14HL
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S/C NOTE: ALSO PASSED PRIORITY SAIGON INFO [REDACTED] DIRECTOR,
VIENTIANE, UDORN, CLARK FIELD CITE NPIC 8140.

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