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CONFIDENTIAL CITE NPIC 8649.

- REF A NPIC 8232, DTG 242353Z, AUG 1966
- B NPIC 8140, DTG 180235Z, JUL 1966
- C NPIC 8444, DTG 122139Z, SEPT 1966

INITIAL SCAN BY NPIC OF MISSION [REDACTED]

REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE VINH/DONG HOI RAIL LINE
IN NORTH VIETNAM:

1. A TURNING WYE IS LOCATED AT 1754N 10600E (UTM XE063807)
0.2 NM NW OF THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE (BE
[REDACTED] A SMALL GAUGE RAIL TRACK EXTENDS FROM THE VICINITY OF
THE WYE TRACK SW TO A PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED BUT UNREPORTED CABLE TRAMWAY
CROSSING UNDER CONSTRUCTION OVER THE RAO NAY (RIVER) AT UTM XE061805.
THE TRAMWAY CROSSING CONSIST OF A SINGLE CABLE ANCHORAGE ON THE NE
BANK OF THE RIVER AND TWO CABLE ANCHORAGES ON THE SW BANK. SIMILAR
TRAMWAY CROSSINGS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED XOM
KHE RAILROAD BRIDGE [REDACTED] AT 1758N 10555E (REF A) AND
ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE (REF B).
THESE CABLE TRAMWAYS UTILIZE TWO SEPARATE CABLES WHICH WOULD PROBABLY
PERMIT THE UTILIZATION OF TWO TRAMWAY CARS; THUS A TRAMWAY CAR COULD
BE LOCATED ON EACH RIVER BANK DURING THE TRANSLOADING OPERATION.
BOTH CARS WOULD BE SHUTTLED BY ONE DRIVE MECHANISM.

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2. THE PRESENT RAILHEAD IS LOCATED AT 1752N 10601E (UTM XE090770)
0.6 NM SOUTHEAST OF ITS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TERMINUS (REF C).

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3. HEAVY VEHICULAR TRACK ACTIVITY EXTENDS GENERALLY SSW FROM
THE SOUTHWEST BANK OF THE RAO NAY (RIVER) AT THE SITE OF THE TRAMWAY
(REF A) ADJACENT TO THE DESTROYED THUONG PHONG TRANG RAILROAD BRIDGE
AT UTM XE063803 TO THEIR JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 110 AT UTM XE075773.

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MAP REF: AMS SERIES L701 SHEET 6264 IV
USATC SERIES 200 SHEET 0617-14 HL

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