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PREFACE

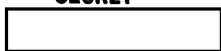
This report summarizes significant items of photo intelligence relating to the North Vietnamese railroad system which has been developed from available photography during the period indicated on the cover.

The railroad system has been broken down into 5 major lines: the Hanoi/Lao Cai Line, the Hanoi/Dong Dang Line, the Hanoi/Haiphong Line, the Hanoi/Dong Hoi Line and the Thai Nguyen Line (Figure I). Annotated maps and photos are used to show the status of each line.

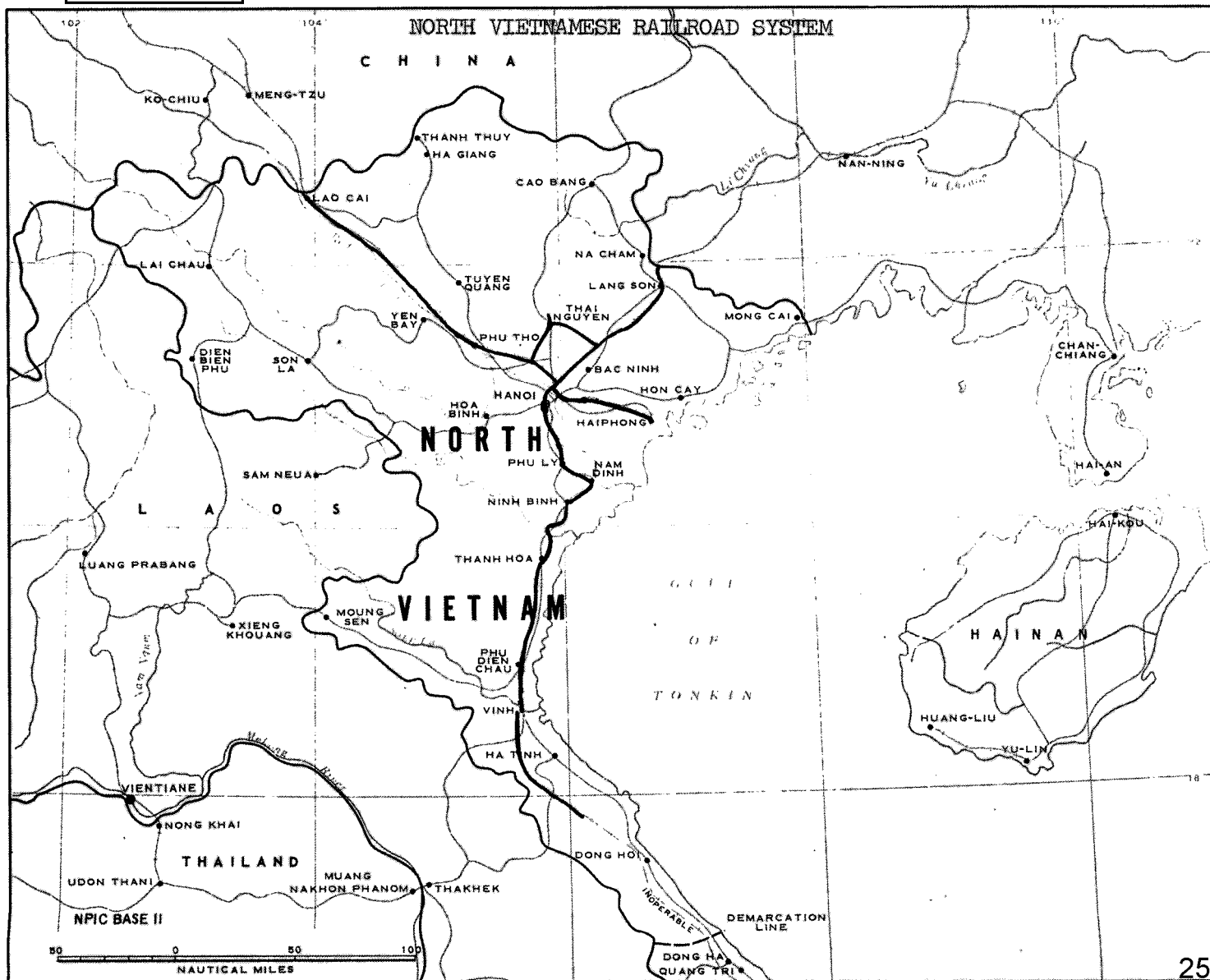
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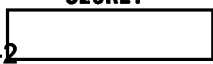


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SUMMARY

The Hanoi/Lao Cai, the Hanoi/Dong Dang and the Hanoi/Haiphong Lines are closed to through traffic. Along the Hanoi/Dong Hoi Line, the Hanoi/Vinh segment is interdicted at Tho Trang (Bridge 36), the Duc Tho/Trai Hoi segment appears to be abandoned and the Trai Hoi/Thuong Phong Trang segment is interdicted in three places; however shuttling probably continues.

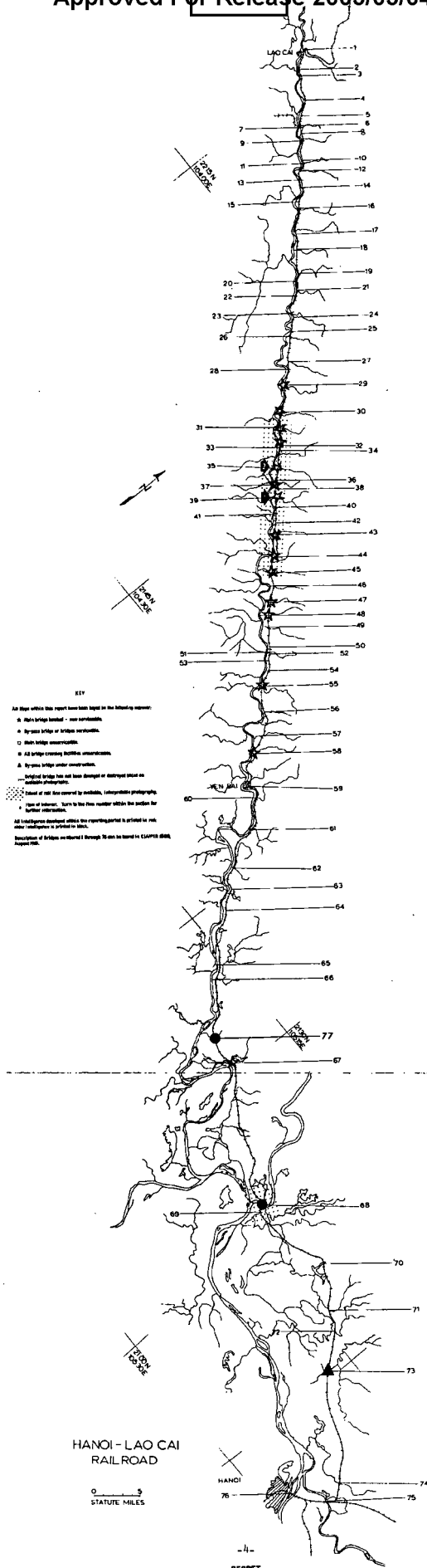
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FIGURE 2



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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1: Hanoi/Lao Cai Line

NAME: Lang Khay RR Bridge

BE: [Redacted]

COORDINATES: 22 01N - 104 31E

PHOTO REFERENCES: [Redacted]

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MAP REFERENCE: JOG (A) 1501, NF 48-6

Photography [Redacted] revealed that the Lang Khay Railroad Bridge has been repaired and is serviceable.



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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 2: Hanoi/Lao Cai Line

NAME: Lang Kay RR Bridge

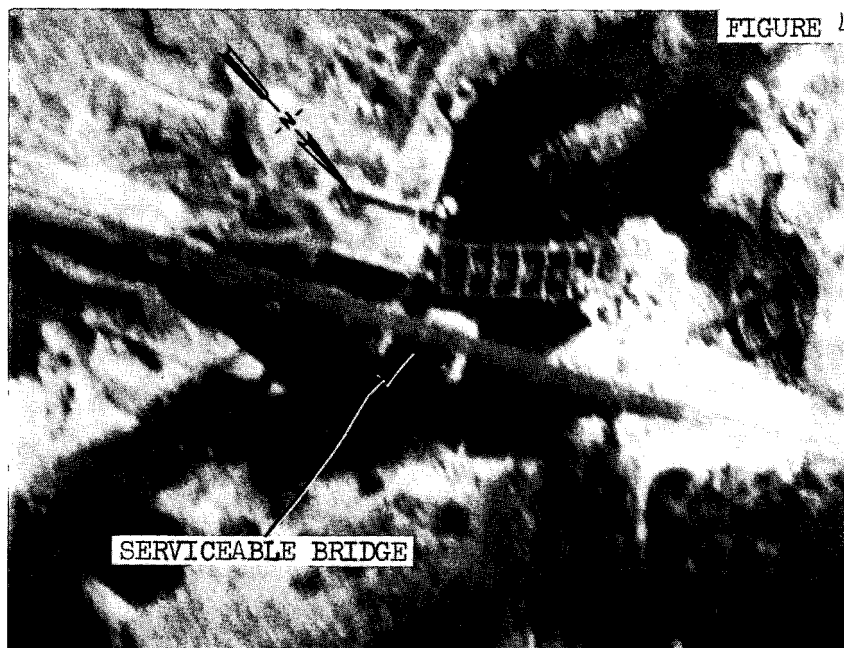
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PHOTO REFERENCES:

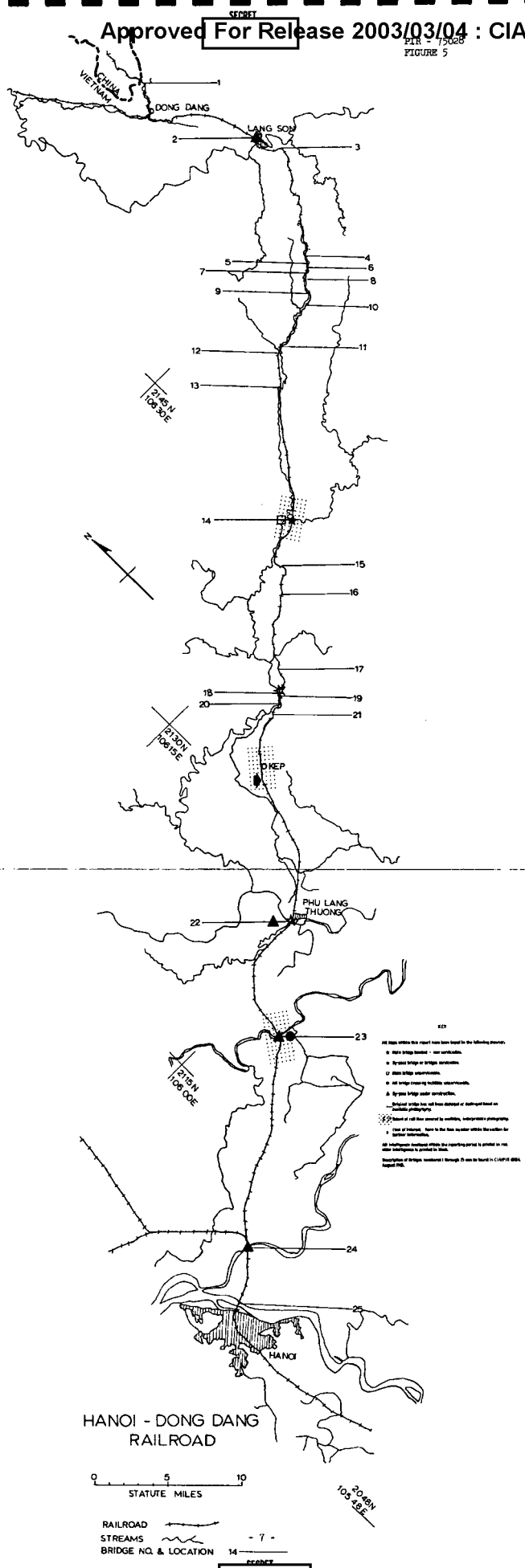
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Photography revealed that the Lang Kay Railroad Bridge has been repaired and is serviceable.



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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1: Hanoi/Dong Dang Line

NAME: Meter-gauge Track

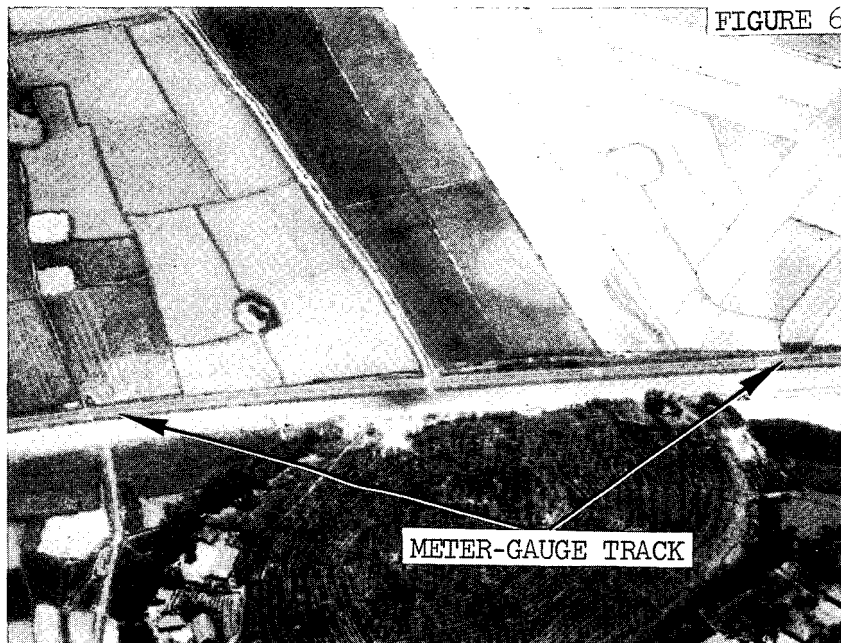
BE: NA

COORDINATES: 21 22N - 106 16E

PHOTO REFERENCES: [REDACTED]

MAP REFERENCES: AMS Series L701, Sheet 6275 11

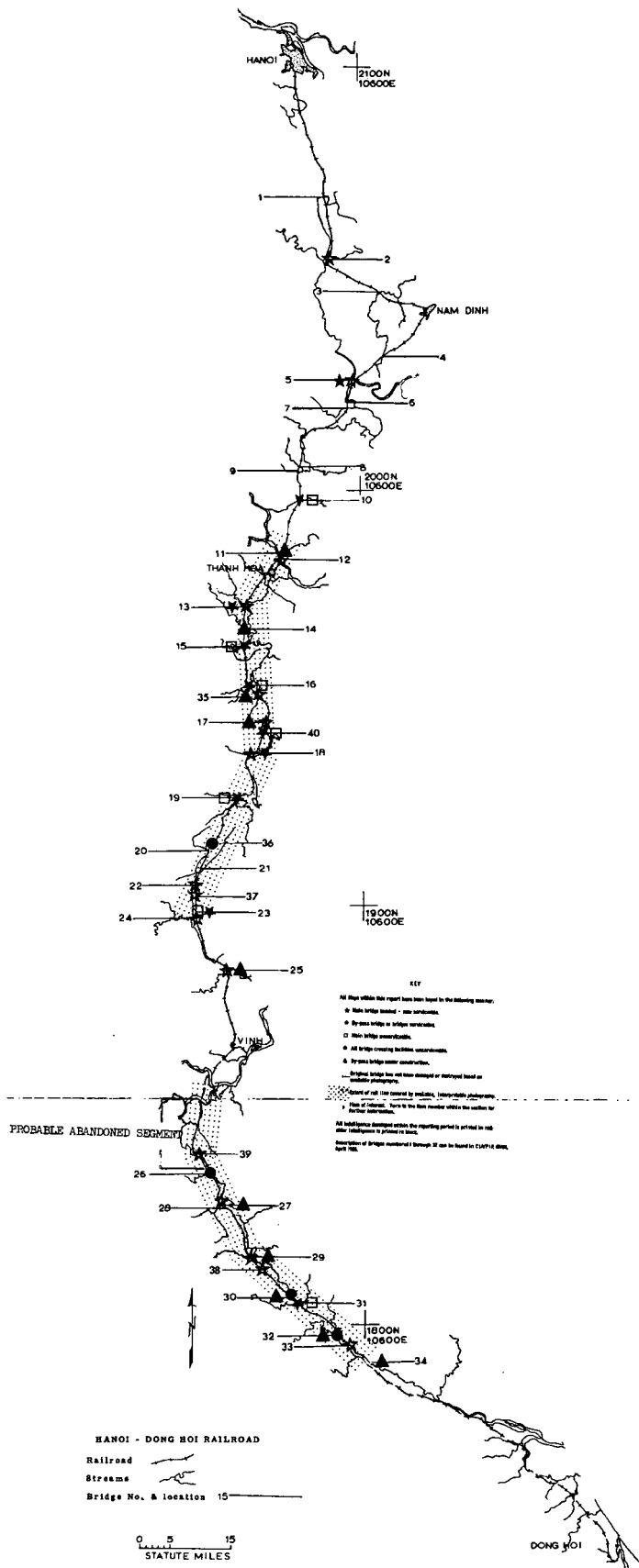
Photography [REDACTED] reveals that dual-gauge track (meter and standard-gauge) does not extend south of Kep Airfield (21 23N - 106 16E).



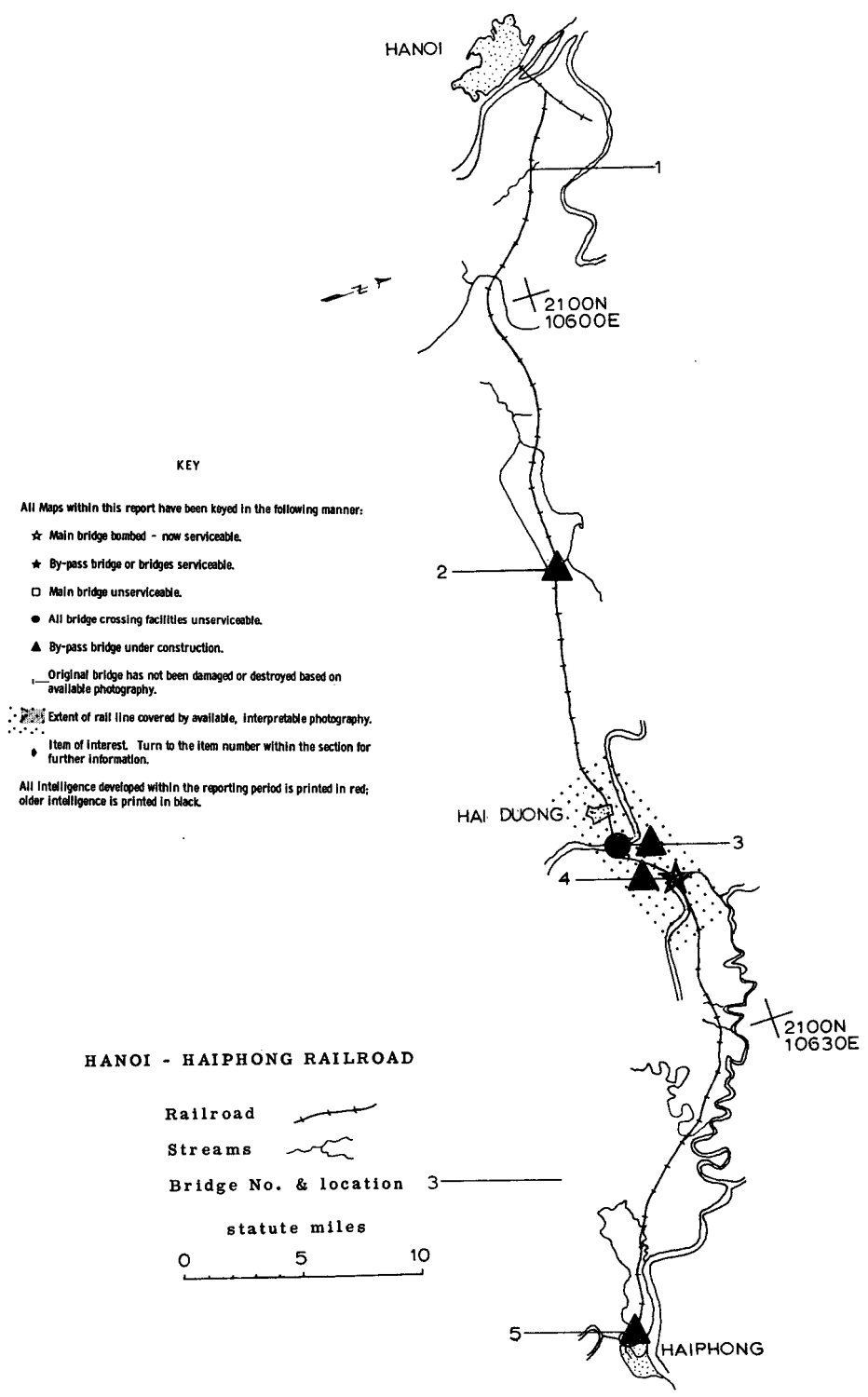
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FIGURE 9

KEY

All Maps within this report have been keyed in the following manner:

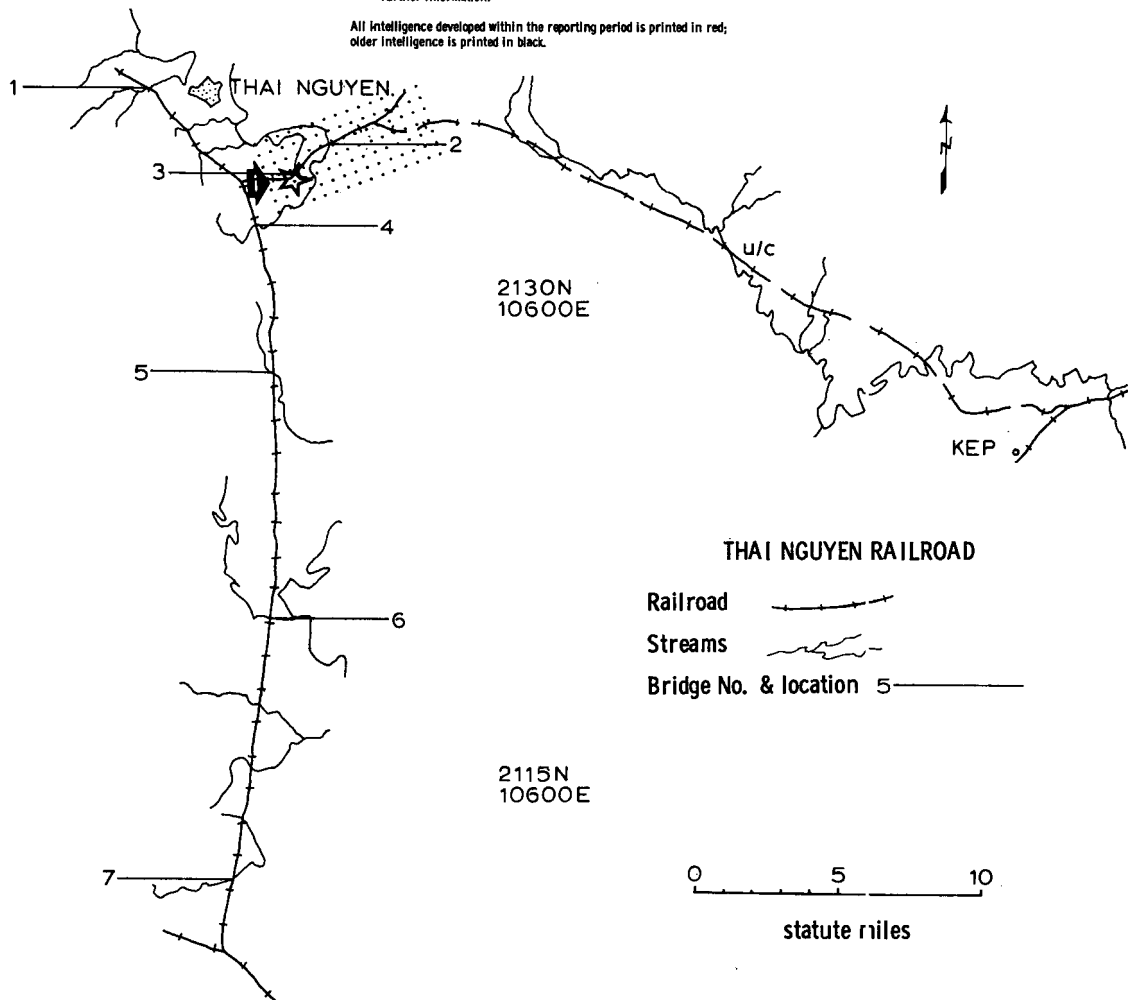
- ☆ Main bridge bombed - now serviceable.
- ★ By-pass bridge or bridges serviceable.
- Main bridge unserviceable.
- All bridge crossing facilities unserviceable.
- ▲ By-pass bridge under construction.

— Original bridge has not been damaged or destroyed based on available photography.

••••• Extent of rail line covered by available, interpretable photography.

• Item of Interest. Turn to the Item number within the section for further information.

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ITEM OF INTEREST NO. 1: Thai Nguyen Line

NAME: Lang Lau Railroad Bridge

BE:

COORDINATES: 21 33N - 105 54E WJ 927834

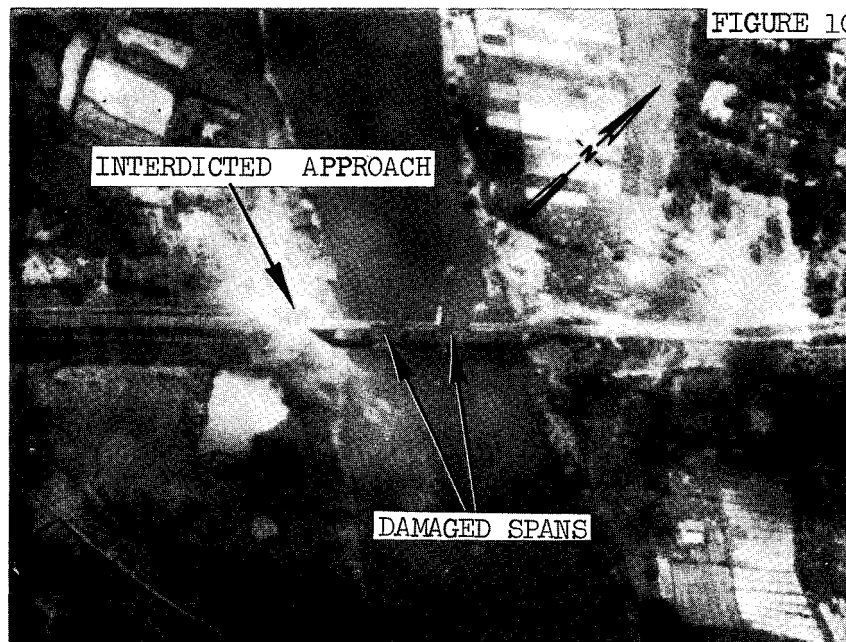
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Photography revealed that the Lang Lau Railroad Bridge has been damaged by air attack. The bridge is possibly serviceable.

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