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PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STORAGE  
HAI PHONG, NORTH VIETNAM  
2052N 10639E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS STRIKE DAMAGE TO HAI PHONG PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STORAGE.

2. LOCATION:

THE STORAGE AREA IS LOCATED AT 20-52-15N 106-39-32E, 2.2 NM WEST-NORTHWEST OF HAI PHONG.

3. STRIKE INFORMATION:

COLLATERAL REPORTS THAT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF JUNE 1966 AT LEAST FIFTEEN MISSIONS HAVE BEEN DIRECTED AGAINST APPROXIMATELY TEN POL INSTALLATIONS IN NORTH VIETNAM. THIS ACTION CULMINATED ON 29 JUNE IN THE BOMBING OF TWO OF NORTH VIETNAM'S MAJOR FUEL INSTALLATIONS AT HAI PHONG AND HA NOI. THE TWO STORAGE AREAS HIT REPORTEDLY ACCOUNT FOR SIXTY PERCENT OF NORTH VIETNAM'S POL RESERVES.

INITIAL REPORTS FOR 29 JUNE INDICATED THAT HAI PHONG POL FACILITIES WERE STRUCK BY SIXTEEN NAVY AIRCRAFT. NO SHIPS REPORTEDLY WERE IN THE TARGET AREA. EARLY REPORTS STATED THAT THERE WAS NO MIG REACTION TO THE STRIKE AND ALL AIRCRAFT WERE RECOVERED SAFELY.

ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF THIRTY-THREE 7.25-INCH ROCKETS, TWENTY-FOUR 1000 POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, AND NINETY-NINE 250-POUND

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GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS.

4. MISSION READOUTS:

PRE-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS HAI PHONG PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STORAGE TO CONSIST OF THREE AREAS CONTAINING TWELVE, TEN, AND EIGHT VERTICAL TANKS, RESPECTIVELY. A BUNKERING PIER AND APPROXIMATELY TWENTY-FIVE SUPPORT BUILDINGS SERVE THE AREA.

STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS DENSE BLACK SMOKE RISING FROM THE ENTIRE TARGET AREA. SMOKE AND FIRE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

POST STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF

REVEALS THE FOLLOWING BOMB DAMAGE TO HAI PHONG PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STORAGE:

AREA A: TWO SMALL TANKS ARE DESTROYED, ONE LARGE AND ONE SMALL TANK ARE SEVERELY DAMAGED, AND ONE LARGE TANK IS MODERATELY DAMAGED.

AREA B: FOUR MEDIUM TANKS ARE DESTROYED, ONE IS SEVERELY DAMAGED, TWO ARE MODERATELY DAMAGED, AND TWO ARE SUPERFICIALLY DAMAGED.

AREA C: TWO MEDIUM TANKS ARE DESTROYED AND ONE LARGE TANK IS SUPERFICIALLY DAMAGED.

TWO BUILDINGS ARE OBSERVED TO BE MODERATELY DAMAGED. AT LEAST SEVEN BOMB CRATERS ARE NOTED THROUGHOUT THE AREA.

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PRE-STRIKE

POST-STRIKE

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STRIKE

10X ENLARGEMENT

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9 TANKS DAMAGED  
8 TANKS DESTROYED

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