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COASTAL DEFENSE AND RADAR SITE
QUANG KHE, NORTH VIETNAM
1741N 10630E


1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS AN ACTIVE COASTAL DEFENSE AND RADAR SITE IN NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

THIS SITE IS LOCATED IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF AN OLD UNOCCUPIED FOUR-POSITION COASTAL DEFENSE SITE 1.5 NM SOUTHEAST OF QUANG KHE.

3. MISSION READOUT:

 REVEALS TWO OCCUPIED CAMOUFLAGED COASTAL DEFENSE POSITIONS AMONG THE TREES AND ADJACENT TO THE BEACH.

THE NORTHERNMOST POSITION CONTAINS EITHER A 122 MM CORPS GUN (A-19) OR A 152 MM GUN HOWITZER (ML-20) POINTING SEAWARD WITH THE TRAILS SPREAD (INSET 5). A PROBABLE 100 MM FIELD GUN IS OBSERVED IN A SEMI-COVERED CAMOUFLAGED GUN REVETMENT (INSET 4). A CARGO TRUCK AND A POSSIBLE CARGO TRUCK ARE OBSERVED IN REVETMENTS UNDER VEGETATION CAMOUFLAGE (INSET 3).

A KNIFE REST RADAR IS OBSERVED MOUNTED ON A LOW CIRCULAR CONCRETE TOWER THAT WAS PART OF THE OLD COASTAL DEFENSE SITE, AND IS HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED WITH VEGETATION (INSET 2).

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THE FOUR DRIVE-THROUGH REVETMENTS, THOUGH UNOCCUPIED, APPEAR WELL MAINTAINED AND CONTAIN EVIDENCE OF TRACK ACTIVITY. EACH OF THESE POSITIONS CONTAIN AT LEAST ONE SUPPORT BUILDING (SOME CAMOUFLAGED) AND A PERSONNEL TRENCH LEADING TO A BUNKERED PROBABLE SHELTER (INSET 1). OTHER CAMOUFLAGED BUILDINGS ARE OBSERVED AND AN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE IS NOTED ADJACENT TO THE THIRD POSITION.

EXTENSIVE TRENCHING, STORAGE PITS, REVETTED MACHINE GUN POSITIONS, AND TRACK ACTIVITY ARE OBSERVED IN THE AREA. THE MAN-MADE FEATURES HAVE BEEN BLENDED TO FIT IN WITH THE YOUNG VEGETATION.



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