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POSSIBLE NAVAL SUPPORT BASE  
HA TOU, NORTH VIETNAM  
2056N 10709E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS AN AREA THAT IS POSSIBLY UNDER DEVELOPMENT AS A NAVAL SUPPORT BASE FOR A PORTION OF THE GULF OF TONKIN.

2. LOCATION:

THE AREA IS SITUATED AMONG STEEP KARST HILLS, FOUR NM EAST OF HON GAI AND 0.6 NM SOUTH OF HA TOU.

3. MISSION READOUT:



REVEAL THE

NORTHERN PORTION OF THE AREA TO CONTAIN AT LEAST NINE PROBABLE AMMUNITION STORAGE BUILDINGS DISPERSED ALONG A LOOP ROAD. A SLIT HAS BEEN DUG THROUGH A SMALL HILL NEAR THE CENTER OF THE AREA, FORMING A PROTECTED AREA FOR STORAGE OF SUPPLIES OR VEHICLES. A GOOD ROAD BUILT AROUND A STEEP HILL ALONG THE WATER'S EDGE, LEADS FROM NORTH VIETNAM ROUTE 18 TO FIVE SMALL BUILDINGS ON

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THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF THE AREA. ( A BUCKET DREDGE WAS OBSERVED OFF THIS AREA ON [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPHY.) ANOTHER BRANCH OF THIS ROAD LEADS INTO A WELL-SHELTERED AREA CONTAINING SEVERAL SMALL BUILDINGS.

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A PROBABLE BOAT REPAIR FACILITY (SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARD K-9758) IS LOCATED ON AN ISLAND JUST SOUTH OF THIS AREA, 1.6 NM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF HA TOU. THIS INSTALLATION, STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION, CONTAINS NINE PROBABLE POSITIONS FOR MINOR HULL REPAIR ON SMALL VESSELS.

THIS WHOLE AREA, WHEN COMPLETED, COULD SERVICE PATROL GUNBOATS CURRENTLY BEING USED FOR AAA SUPPORT TO THE ISLANDS TO THE SOUTH.

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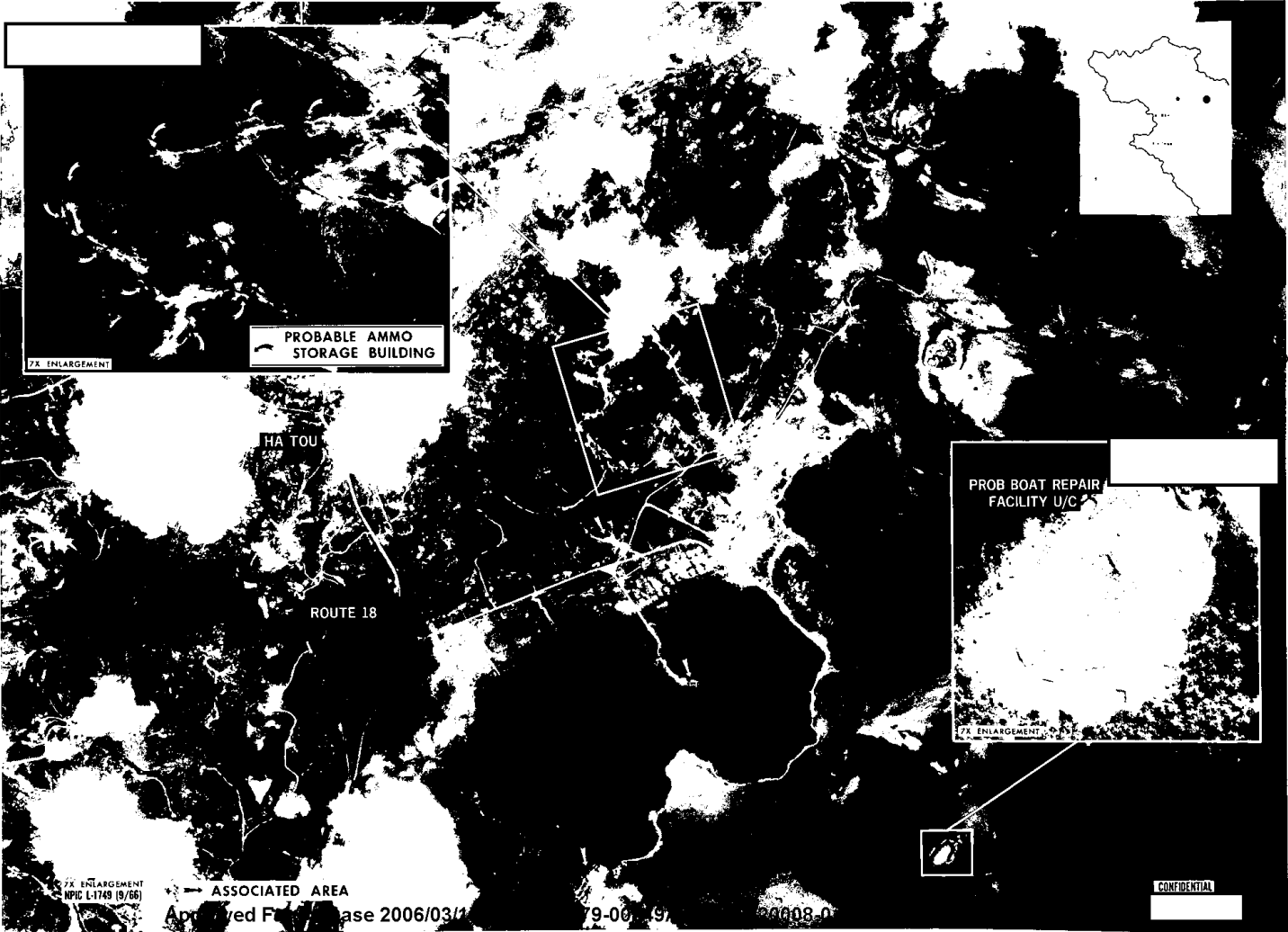
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PROBABLE AMMO STORAGE BUILDING

PROB BOAT REPAIR FACILITY U/C

HA TOU

ROUTE 18

ASSOCIATED AREA

7X ENLARGEMENT  
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