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PONTOON BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION  
BAN PA HON, NORTH VIETNAM  
2148N 10318E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE CONTINUING EFFORT BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE TO NEGATE THE EFFECTS OF AIR STRIKES AGAINST DRV TRANSPORTATION NETS.

2. COLLATERAL:

THE BAN PA HON HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE NAM MEUK  IS LOCATED ON ROUTE 6, BETWEEN LAI CHAU AND TUAN GIAO. THE NAM MEUK (RIVER) IS KNOWN TO BE AT LEAST SEASONABLY FORDABLE AT THE BRIDGE SITE.

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3. REMARKS:

STRIKE DATA REPORTS THAT THE BAN PA HON HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE NAM MEUK WAS STRUCK BY U.S. AIRCRAFT ON 23 AND 29 JULY 1965. THREE BRIDGE SPANS WERE DESTROYED, ONE SPAN WAS DAMAGED, AND THE HIGHWAY WAS INTERDICTED. POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF 29 JULY 1965 REVEALED RIVER APPROACH RAMPS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE VICINITY OF THE DESTROYED BRIDGE.

4. MISSION READOUT:

UE 585A/2, 14 JANUARY 1966, REVEALS A PONTOON BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION ON THE NAM MEUK (RIVER), JUST NORTHEAST OF THE DESTROYED BAN PA HON HIGHWAY BRIDGE, ON ROUTE 6. THIS PONTOON

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BRIDGE, LOCATED 1.1 NM NORTHWEST OF BAN PA HON, APPEARS TO BE  
APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PERCENT COMPLETED.

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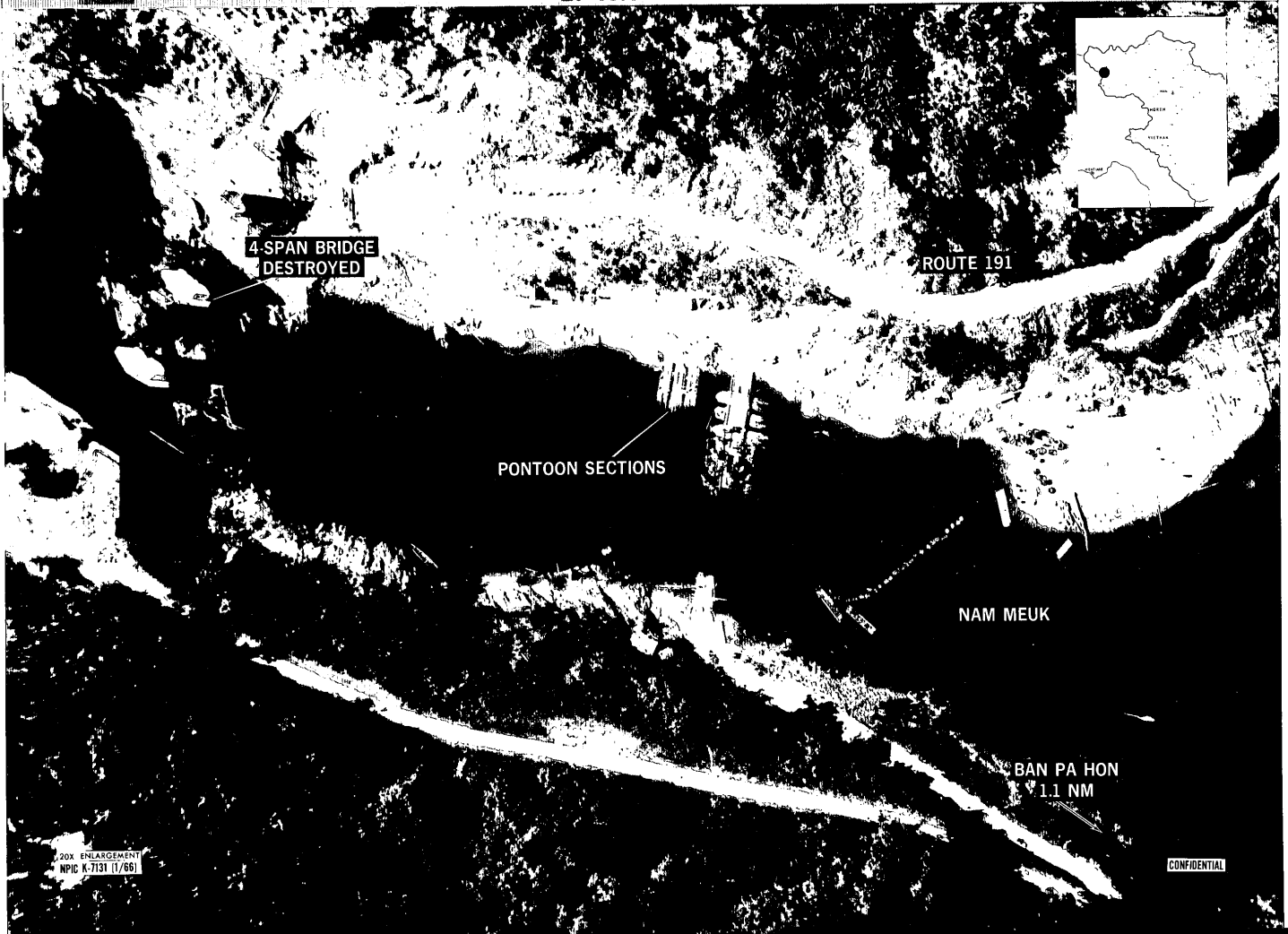
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