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PROBABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CUT
VIETNAM DMZ/LAOS BORDER AREA

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS A PROBABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CUT LOCATED IN THE VIETNAM DEMILITARIZED ZONE AND EXTENDING INTO THE LAOS PANHANDLE.

2. COLLATERAL:

COLLATERAL REPORTS THAT PRESENT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NORTH VIETNAM AND LAOS IS CONDUCTED BY RADIO THAT CAN BE EASILY INTERCEPTED BY THE UNITED STATES. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE FROM NORTH VIETNAM TO LAOS WILL PROVIDE THE COMMUNIST FORCES WITH A MORE SECURE LINE OF COMMUNICATION.

3. MISSION READOUT:

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FOLLOWING ACTIVITY IN THE VIETNAM DMZ AND LAOS BORDER AREAS:

A PROBABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CUT IS OBSERVED TO EXTEND GENERALLY WEST FROM THE LIMITS OF PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE AT 1653N 10636E (UTM XD708689), 2.8 NM FROM THE LAOS/VIETNAM BORDER WITHIN THE VIETNAM DMZ. THE CUT IS APPROXIMATELY TEN FEET WIDE AND GENERALLY FOLLOWS AN OLD TRAIL ON THE NORTH BANK OF THE RAO THANH (RIVER) TO CHA LI

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(1653N 10634E). THE CUT THEN CONTINUES WEST-NORTHWEST TO 1654N 10633E (UTM XD664690), THEN SOUTHWEST ACROSS THE LAOS BORDER AT 1653N 10633E (UTM XD657682), WEST-SOUTHWEST ALONG THE NORTH BANK OF THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER), TO ITS TERMINUS AT 1653N 10632E (UTM XD632673), 1.4 NM WEST OF THE SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER. POLES ARE OBSERVED FROM THE EASTERN LIMITS OF PHOTOGRAPHY TO APPROXIMATELY 1654N 10633E (UTM XD661690), 0.3 NM EAST OF THE LAOS BORDER. WIRES ARE NOT DISCERNABLE.

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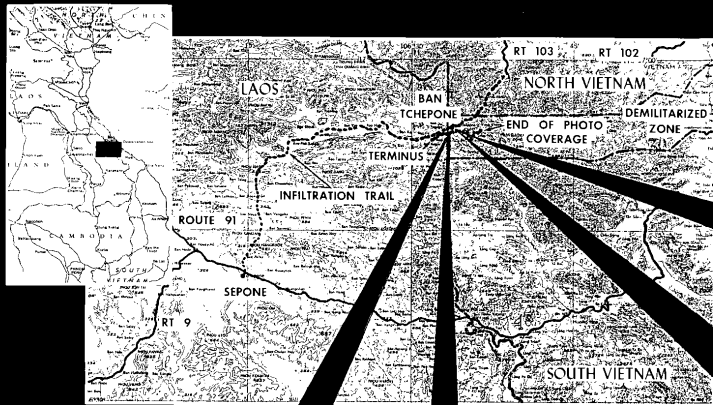
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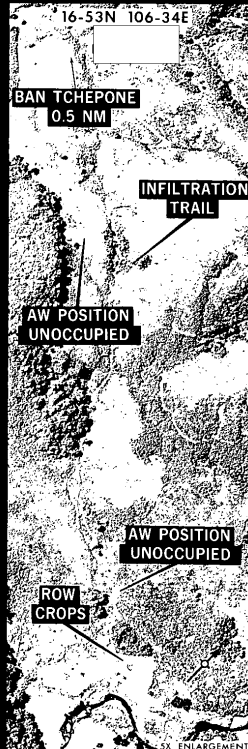
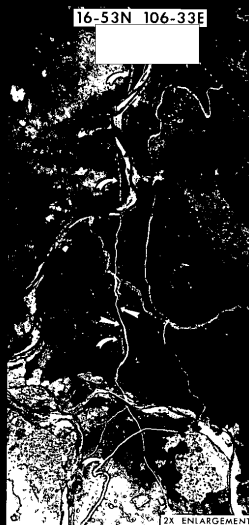
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