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REACTIVATED SEGMENTS ROUTE 92
BAN BAC AREA, LAOS

(SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARD K-7349 FOR COMPARISON)

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS TWO REACTIVATED SEGMENTS OF ROUTE 92 NEAR BAN BAC, LAOS.

2. REMARKS:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF FEBRUARY 1966 REVEALED THAT THE ORIGINAL ALIGNMENT OF ROUTE 92 NEAR BAN BAC APPEARED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE AND IN DISUSE. THE ROAD ALSO APPEARED TO BE IN DISUSE ON THE EAST BANK OF THE SE KONG (RIVER), WHERE ROUTE 92 EXTENDS SOUTH.

3. LOCATION:

BAN BAC IS LOCATED IN THE SOUTHERN LAOTIAN PANHANDLE, APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-FIVE NM NORTHWEST OF CHAVANE.

4. MISSION READOUT:

REVEALS THE FOLLOWING

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ACTIVITY IN THE BAN BAC AREA:

A. EVIDENCE OF RECENT VEHICULAR ACTIVITY IS NOTED ON ROUTE 92 SOUTH OF THE JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 92 ALTERNATE (NOT AN OFFICIAL DESIGNATION) AT 1556N 10644E. VEHICLE TRACKS ARE OBSERVED AT 1551N 10646E (UTM XC896541 TO XC903533) AND THEN INTERMITTENTLY SOUTH ON THE EAST BANK OF THE SE KONG TO THE LIMITS OF PHOTOGRAPHY AT 1548N 10646E (UTM XC889478), 2.8 NM NORTH OF THE REPORTED SOUTHERN

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TERMINUS OF ROUTE 92.

B. A ROAD EXTENDS EAST FROM ROUTE 92 AT BAN BAC AT 1550N 10645E (UTM XC902525) ALONG THE NORTH BANK OF THE SE KONG. TWO RIVER FORDS ARE OBSERVED AT 1550N 10647E (UTM XC908522). THE ROAD JUNCTIONS WITH ROUTE 923 ON THE SOUTH BANK OF THE SE KONG AT UTM XC909519.

NOTE: ROUTE 923 IS A SINGLE LANE ROAD LINKING ROUTE 92 WITH THE NORTHERN TERMINUS OF ROUTE 96.

C. THREE LARGE DESTROYED CANOES AND ONE SUBMERGED CANOE ARE OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF THE FERRY CROSSING AT THE TERMINUS OF ROUTE 92 ALTERNATE AT 1550N 10645E (UTM XC887509).

D. AN ACCESS ROAD EXTENDS SOUTH-SOUTHEAST FROM ROUTE 92 AT 1549N 10645E (UTM XC888508) TO A POSSIBLE TRUCK PARK AT UTM XC890505. A VEHICLE TURN-AROUND IS LOCATED AT THE END OF THE ACCESS ROAD. VEGETATION HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE ROAD IN AN ATTEMPT AT CAMOUFLAGE.



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