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COUNTRY: LAOS/USSR/SRV

SUBJECT: SOVIET AND SRV INVOLVEMENT IN LPDR USE OF CHEMICAL WARFARE WEAPONS [REDACTED]

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SOURCE: SEE BELOW.

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2. DURING MAY 1978, THE LAO PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY (LPLA) USED TWO LIGHT OBSERVATION AIRCRAFT TO DISPENSE UNIDENTIFIED CHEMICALS ON HMONG PEOPLE LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINOUS AREA OF PHOU BIA (UF0690) IN NORTH LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (LPDR). [REDACTED] COMMENT: IT WAS DURING MAY 1978 THAT THIS BOMBING WAS AT ITS PEAK, HOWEVER, BOMBING HAS TAKEN PLACE AT OTHER TIMES.)

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3. THE LPLA UNIT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHEMICAL WARFARE ROCKETS IS A SPECIAL LPDR AIR FORCE UNIT TO WHICH IS ATTACHED A SOVIET EXPERT. THE LEADER OF THIS UNIT IS K H A M P H A I SAIYACHIT WHO HAD SPENT MANY YEARS STUDYING EXPLOSIVE DEVICES IN THE SOVIET UNION. IN VIEN-

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TIANE (1E4386) THERE ARE THREE PERSONS, LED BY A SOCIALIST REPUBLIC
OF VIETNAM (SRV) EXPERT, WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FILLING THE CHEMI-
CALS INTO THE HEADS OF U.S MANUFACTURED 2.75 ROCKETS. AT PHONG
SAVAN (VG1251), XIENG KHUANG PROVINCE, THERE ARE TWO PERSONS RE-
SPONSIBLE FOR THIS ACTIVITY ALONG WITH FOUR SOVIET EXPERTS. IN
SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE, THERE ARE TWO OTHER PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR
SOUTHERN LAOS.

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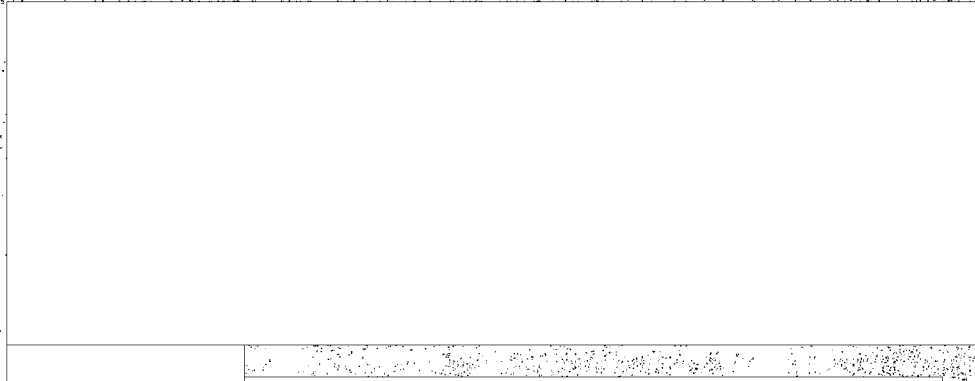
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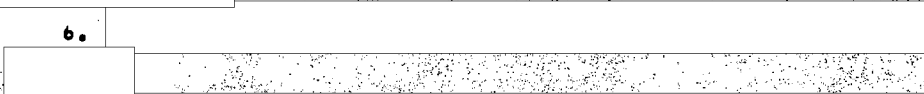
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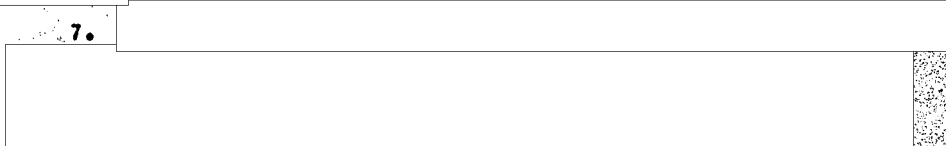
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