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1. SUMMARY: ON FEBRUARY 18, 1997, JCSD-MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVES BOB BISHOP AND CAROL DOCKHAM INTERVIEWED GENERAL-MAJOR (RET) VIKTOR V. SHARAPOV, WHO HAD WRITTEN A BOOK ABOUT THE VIETNAM WAR AND MENTIONED NUMEROUS U.S. POWS AND LOSS INCIDENTS. END SUMMARY.

2. ON FEBRUARY 18, 1997, JCSD-MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVES BOB BISHOP AND CAROL DOCKHAM INTERVIEWED GENERAL-MAJOR (RET) VIKTOR VASILYEVICH SHARAPOV, MOSCOW, 24 UDALTSOVA ST., APT 84, 131-1215(H). FROM EARLY 1965-1971 SHARAPOV SERVED AS A PRAVDA CORRESPONDENT IN NORTH VIETNAM. HE WAS NOT PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED THERE, BUT EVERY YEAR HE WENT THERE FOR SEVERAL MONTHS TO CARRY OUT HIS JOURNALISTIC ASSIGNMENTS. FROM 1971-1982 SHARAPOV CLAIMED THAT HE SERVED IN THE KGB. HE WAS AN ASSISTANT TO ANDROPOV, THEN CHERNENKO, AND FINALLY GORBACHEV. HE CLAIMS HE RETIRED FROM THE KGB WITH THE RANK OF GENERAL-MAJOR. SHARAPOV SAYS THAT HE WAS THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO BULGARIA FROM 1988-1992.

3. SHARAPOV IS THE CO-AUTHOR OF A BOOK ABOUT THE VIETNAM WAR CALLED "VIETNAM DIARIES." THIS BOOK DISCUSSES THE WAR FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE SOVIETS AND THE NORTH VIETNAMESE. IN THE BOOK SHARAPOV MENTIONS 8 U.S. POWS BY NAME AND WRITES ABOUT OTHER INCIDENTS OF LOSS OF U.S. AIRCRAFT OR CAPTURE OF U.S. PERSONNEL. JCSD-MOSCOW REPRESENTATIVES QUESTIONED SHARAPOV EXTENSIVELY REGARDING EVERY INCIDENT MENTIONED IN THE BOOK THAT WAS CONNECTED WITH U.S. POWS OR LOSS INCIDENTS. UNFORTUNATELY, SHARAPOV WAS UNABLE TO CLARIFY ANY OF THE EVENTS THAT HE HAD WRITTEN ABOUT IN HIS BOOK. SHARAPOV CLAIMED THAT HE PUT EVERYTHING HE KNEW ABOUT THE U.S. POWS INTO THE BOOK. HE CLAIMS THAT THE INFORMATION REGARDING THE LOSS INCIDENTS AND THE INCIDENTS OF CAPTURE WERE BASICALLY QUOTES FROM THE NORTH VIETNAMESE. EVEN THOUGH SHARAPOV WROTE ABOUT AND NAMED 8 U.S. POWS HE SAYS THAT HE ONLY PERSONALLY MET WITH ONE OF THEM. THIS U.S. POW WAS A RETURNEE. SHARAPOV CLAIMS THIS WAS THE ONLY TIME HE EVER SAW A U.S. POW. PERTINENT EXCERPTS OF THIS BOOK HAVE BEEN SENT TO JCSD FOR FURTHER ANALYSIS.

4. DURING THE INTERVIEW SHARAPOV LOANED JCSD-MOSCOW COPIES OF TWO ADDITIONAL BOOKS THAT HE CO-AUTHORED CONCERNING THE VIETNAM WAR. THESE BOOKS

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ARE TITLED "OTPOR" (REBUFF) AND "VIETNAM, 1965." COPIES OF THESE BOOKS WILL BE PROVIDED TO JCSD.

5. DURING SHARAPOV'S TIME IN VIETNAM HE CLAIMS HE DID NOT KEEP A PERSONAL DIARY. HOWEVER, HE DID HAVE PERSONAL NOTEBOOKS THAT HE TOOK NOTES IN. HE GAVE THESE NOTEBOOKS TO THE PRAVDA ARCHIVES. SHARAPOV CLAIMS THAT HE HAS NO SOUVENIRS FROM U.S. POWS AND THE ONLY PICTURES OF U.S. POWS THAT HE HAD WERE THOSE WHICH WERE PUBLISHED IN HIS BOOKS ABOUT VIETNAM.

6. SHARAPOV CLAIMED TO HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE TRANSFER OF U.S. POWS FROM VIETNAM TO THE FORMER USSR. HE CLAIMS THAT DURING HIS TIME IN THE KGB HE NEVER CAME ACROSS ANYTHING REGARDING U.S. POWS EITHER FROM THE WAR IN VIETNAM OR FROM THE KOREAN WAR.

7. BISHOP SHOWED SHARAPOV THE "MORTICIAN" DRAWINGS BUT HE WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY EITHER OF THE INDIVIDUALS DEPICTED IN THE DRAWINGS.

8. SHARAPOV PROVIDED ONE NEW VIETNAM LEAD-YURI YUKHANANOV, A RADIO JOURNALIST WHO ALSO SERVED

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9. JOINT COMMISSION SUPPORT DIRECTORATE-MOSCOW SENDS. TEFFT
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RMKS/1. FROM 25 TO 28 MARCH 1996, A JOINT US/SRV TEAM INVESTIGATED A SUSPECTED F-105D CRASH SITE AT GRID COORDINATES 48PVJ8324187262 IN YEN BAI PROVINCE, VIETNAM. JTF-FA ANALYSIS INDICATES THE ITEMS RECOVERED AND PHOTOGRAPHED CORRELATE TO AN F-105 AIRCRAFT INCIDENT, BUT THEY ARE INSUFFICIENT TO ESTABLISH AN EXCLUSIVE CORRELATION TO THE AIRCRAFT INVOLVED IN THE CASE 0679 INCIDENT.
2. THE TEAM RECOVERED THE FOLLOWING ITEM:
- ONE PIECE OF METAL 3 INCHES WIDE AND 15 INCHES LONG WITH A HOLE IN THE MIDDLE 3 INCHES IN DIAMETER
3. THE TEAM PHOTOGRAPHED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
(1) ONE LARGE CIRCULAR PIECE OF METAL 3 FEET IN DIAMETER, WITH A CENTER HOLE 1 FOOT IN DIAMETER, AND THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS:
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(2) ONE CIRCULAR PIECE OF METAL, 1 FOOT IN DIAMETER. THE EDGE OF THE METAL IS 2 INCHES DEEP AND THE CENTER IS EMPTY.
(3) ONE THICK PIECE OF METAL, IN A U SHAPE, 2 1/2 FEET LONG.
(4) TWO PIECES OF ALUMINUM, 6 INCHES LONG AND 3 INCHES WIDE.
(5) ONE LARGE CIRCULAR PIECE OF THIN METAL, 2 FEET IN DIAMETER.
4. JTF-FA ANALYSIS INDICATES: THE ITEM IN PARAGRAPH 3 (1) IS A SEAL ASSEMBLY FROM A J-75 ENGINE. THE F-105 IS THE ONLY AIRCRAFT THAT

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