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AIR ORDER OF BATTLE ACTIVITY AND UNIDENTIFIED CRATES YEN BAI AND PHUC YEN AIRFIELDS, NORTH VIETNAM 2144N 10452E AND 2113N 10548E

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SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THE FIRST OBSERVATION OF AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI AIRFIELD, INCREASED INVENTORY OF FISHBED AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD, AND UNIDENTIFIED SHIPPING CRATES AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD.

LOCATION:

YEN BAI AIRFIELD LOCATED 1.7 NM NW OF YEN BAI. PHUC YEN AIRFIELD LOCATED 11.0 NM NNW OF HANOI. UNIDENTIFIED CRATES LOCATED 3.0 NM NNW OF PHUC YEN AIRFIELD.

BACKGROUND:

YEN BA	I AIRFIELD HAS	BEEN UNDEF	CONSTRUCTION	SINCE 1965	AND SERVICE-
ABLE SINCE	PHUC YE	n fishbed i	NVENTORY HAD A	A PREVIOUS	HIGH COUNT
OF 35 FISHBED OF	4.				•

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MISSION READOUT:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF GS 169, 28 JULY 1969, REVEALS TWO FISHBED AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI AIRFIELD (FIGURE 1). THIS IS THE FIRST OBSERVATION OF AIRCRAFT AT YEN BAI.

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THE SAME MISSION REVEALS AN INCREASE IN THE FISHBED AOB INVENTORY

AT PHUC YEN AIRFIELD. TWO BEAGLE (IL-28), 41 FISHBED (MIG-21, FIGURE 2),

EIGHT DAMAGED/DESTROYED FISHBED, THREE DUMMY FISHBED, 17 FAGOT/FRESCO

(MIG-15/17) AND ONE DAMAGED/DESTROYED FAGOT/FRESCO ARE OBSERVED. THIS

REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF SIX FISHBED AIRCRAFT AT PHUC YEN AND IS THE

HIGHEST NUMBER EVER OBSERVED. OF ADDITIONAL INTEREST ARE TWO UNIDENTIFIED

SHIPPING CRATES FIRST OBSERVED ON (INSET 1, FIGURE 2)

AND SUBSEQUENTLY IMAGED ON GS 169, 28 JULY 1969. THE TWO UNIDENTIFIED CRATES

ARE COLOCATED WITH EIGHT PROBABLE FISHBED SHIPPING CRATES. THE TWO CRATES

(NOT SHOWN ON GRAPHIC) NORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH FISHBED CRATES.

MAP REFERENCE: 5952 II AND 6151 II, SERIES L7014 NF48-10, NF48-11

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