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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] Ch Collection Guidance Staff

ATTENTION : [REDACTED] OBI

THROUGH : Chief, Requirements Branch, Reconnaissance Group, CGS

FROM : Chief, CIA/PID (HPIC)

SUBJECT : Trails and Tracks between Laos and South Vietnam

REFERENCES : (1) DD/I Requirement No. C-DI4-81,106  
(2) CIA/PID Project No. C 405-04

1. This memorandum is in response to the referenced requirement requesting assessment and annotated maps of trails and tracks emanating from the Dong Hoi area in North Vietnam southwestward toward Tchepone, Laos.

2. These tracks and trails are discussed in the following text and their alignment is plotted on the enclosed annotated maps (CIA/PID/IB-P-428, 429, 437, and 475).

a. Pack-animal trails appear to be less than five feet in width. They ascend from village to village sometimes disappearing under a heavy vegetated growth and they usually take the path of least resistance. Streams are generally waded; however, some footbridges were located. In the Tchepone area, along the SePone and SeBeng Hieng (rivers), a concentration of footbridges exist. The bridges are very narrow and appear unable to sustain a vehicular load. By definition, trails refer to foot traffic, but the well traveled trails could very possibly be jeepable.

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b. Jeepable trails are generally less than [REDACTED] in width and are generally able to accommodate a jeep or a small truck. Routes take the path of least resistance, usually along stream valleys. There were no noticeable improvements to the roadbed, with the surface being the natural material in place. All streams are forded.

3. The following list of Photographic Missions contains the basic material from which this study was extracted:

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GROUP 1  
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downgrading and  
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4. The photo analysis on this project was performed by [REDACTED] who may be contacted on extension 2546 should questions arise regarding this project. This requirement is considered complete.

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Enclosures:

4 Annotated Maps (2 sets)  
(CIA/PID/IB-P-428, 429, 437, and 475)

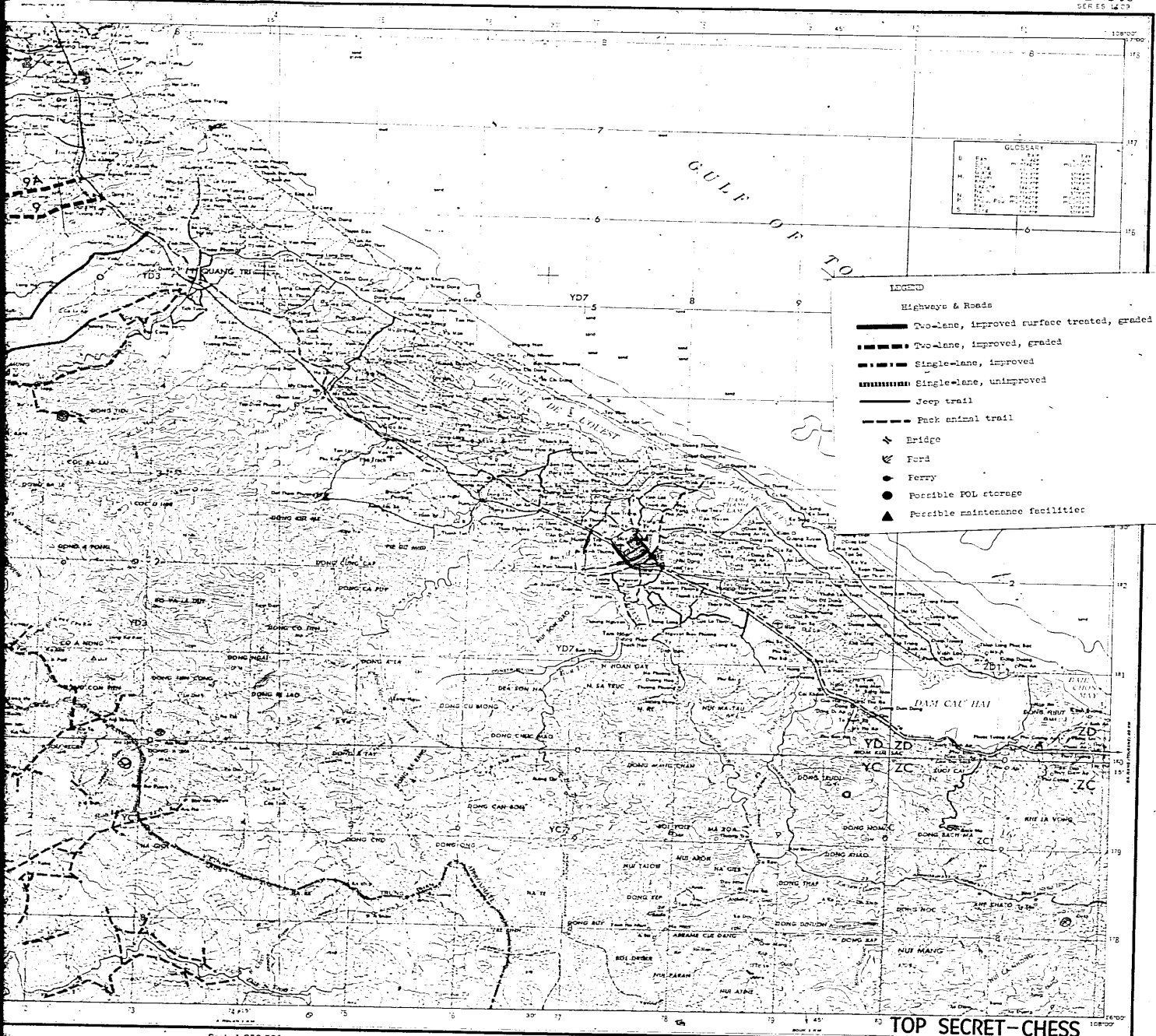
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# HUE

EDITION 2-AMS

REFER TO THIS MAP AS  
NE 48-16  
SERIES 14C3

SERIES 14C3  
SHEET NE 48-16  
EDITION 2-AMS



Symbol	Meaning
—	Two-lane, improved surface treated, graded
- - -	Two-lane, improved, graded
- · - · -	Single-lane, improved
- · - · - · -	Single-lane, unimproved
- - - - -	Jeep trail
- - - - -	Pack animal trail
◇	Bridge
∩	Ford
○	Ferry
●	Possible FOL storage
▲	Possible maintenance facilities

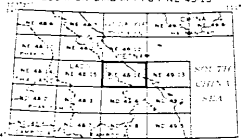
- LEGEND**
- Highways & Roads**
- Two-lane, improved surface treated, graded
  - - - Two-lane, improved, graded
  - · - · - Single-lane, improved
  - · - · - · - Single-lane, unimproved
  - - - - - Jeep trail
  - - - - - Pack animal trail
- ◇ Bridge
  - ∩ Ford
  - Ferry
  - Possible FOL storage
  - ▲ Possible maintenance facilities

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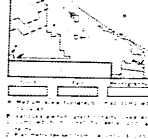
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CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS  
TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

LOCATION DIAGRAM FOR NE 48 16



REFERENCE DIAGRAM



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HUE, VIETNAM; LAOS

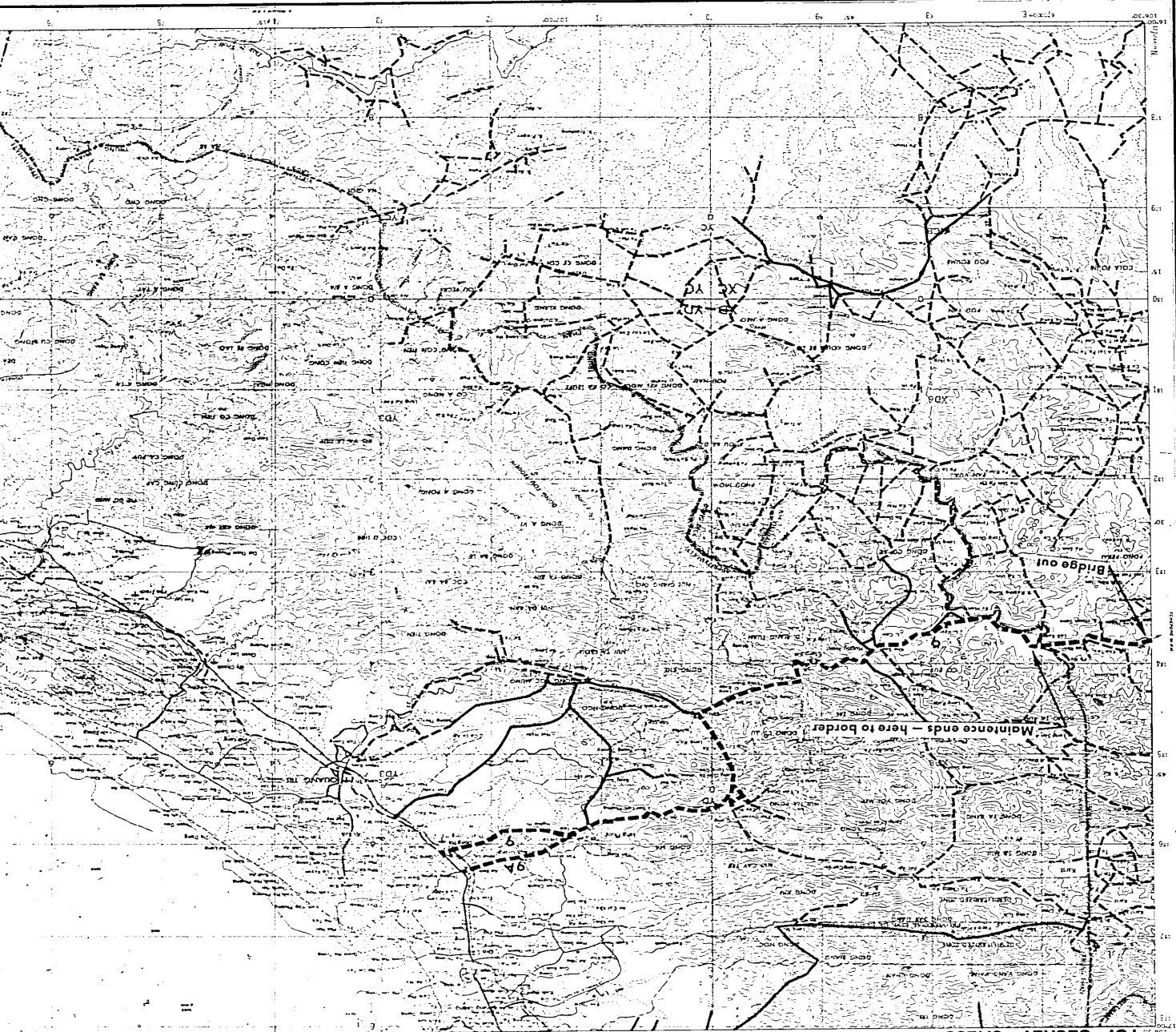
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SAIGON  
HAIPHONG  
NAM DINH  
PHU BINH  
LEGEND

Scale 1:250,000  
CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS  
TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS  
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INDOCHINA AND THAILAND 1:250,000  
(VIETNAM, LAOS)

HILL

# DONG HOI

EDITION 3-AMS

REFER TO THIS MAP AS  
NE 48-12  
SERIES 1539

SCALE 1:500,000  
SHEET NE 48-12  
EDITION 3-AMS

**LEGEND**

**Highways & Roads**

- Two-lane, improved surface treated, graded
- - - Two-lane, improved, graded
- · - Single-lane, improved
- · - Single-lane, unimproved
- Jeep trail
- - - Pack animal trail

- ⚡ Bridge
- ⚓ Ford
- ⚓ Ferry
- Possible POL storage
- ▲ Possible maintenance facilities

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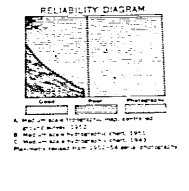
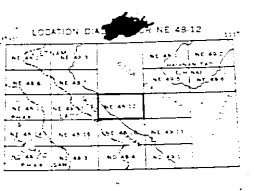
GLOSSARY	
Cap	cap
Ch	channel
Cl	clay
Co	coast
Cr	crater
D	dam
Dm	dike
E	embankment
F	ferry
G	gap
H	hamlet
I	island
J	jetty
K	key
L	levee
M	main road
N	natural
O	open
P	pass
Ph	primary administrative division
Pl	plateau
Pr	primary road
Ps	pass
Re	reef
Ri	ridge
Rv	river
S	stream
Sa	secondary road
Sr	secondary road
T	town
V	village
W	water
X	crossing
Y	yard
Z	zone

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CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS  
RELIEF PARTIALLY SHOWN BY FORM LINES  
TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

10 Kilometers  
10 Nautical Miles

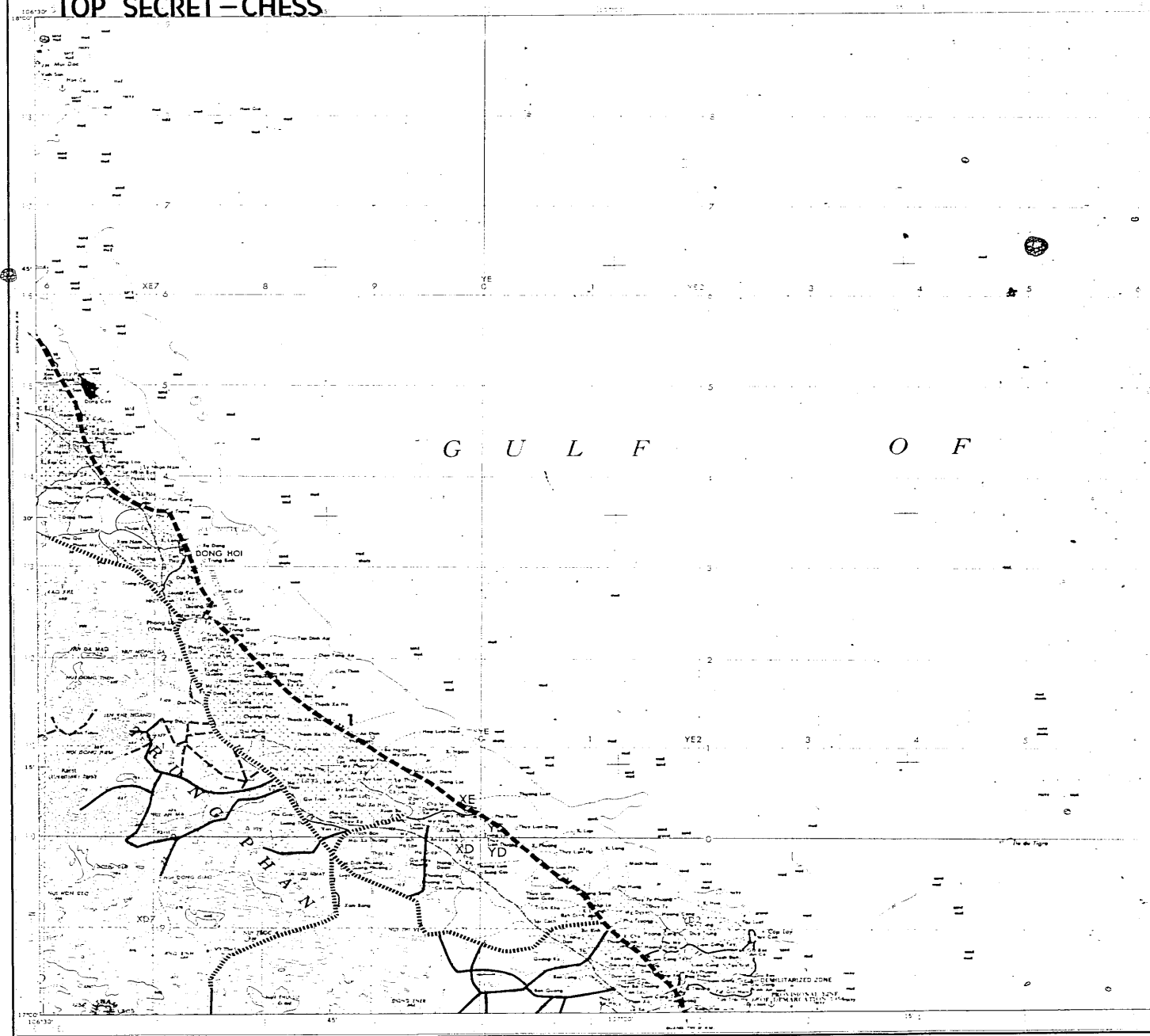


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DONG HOI, VIETNAM; LAOS

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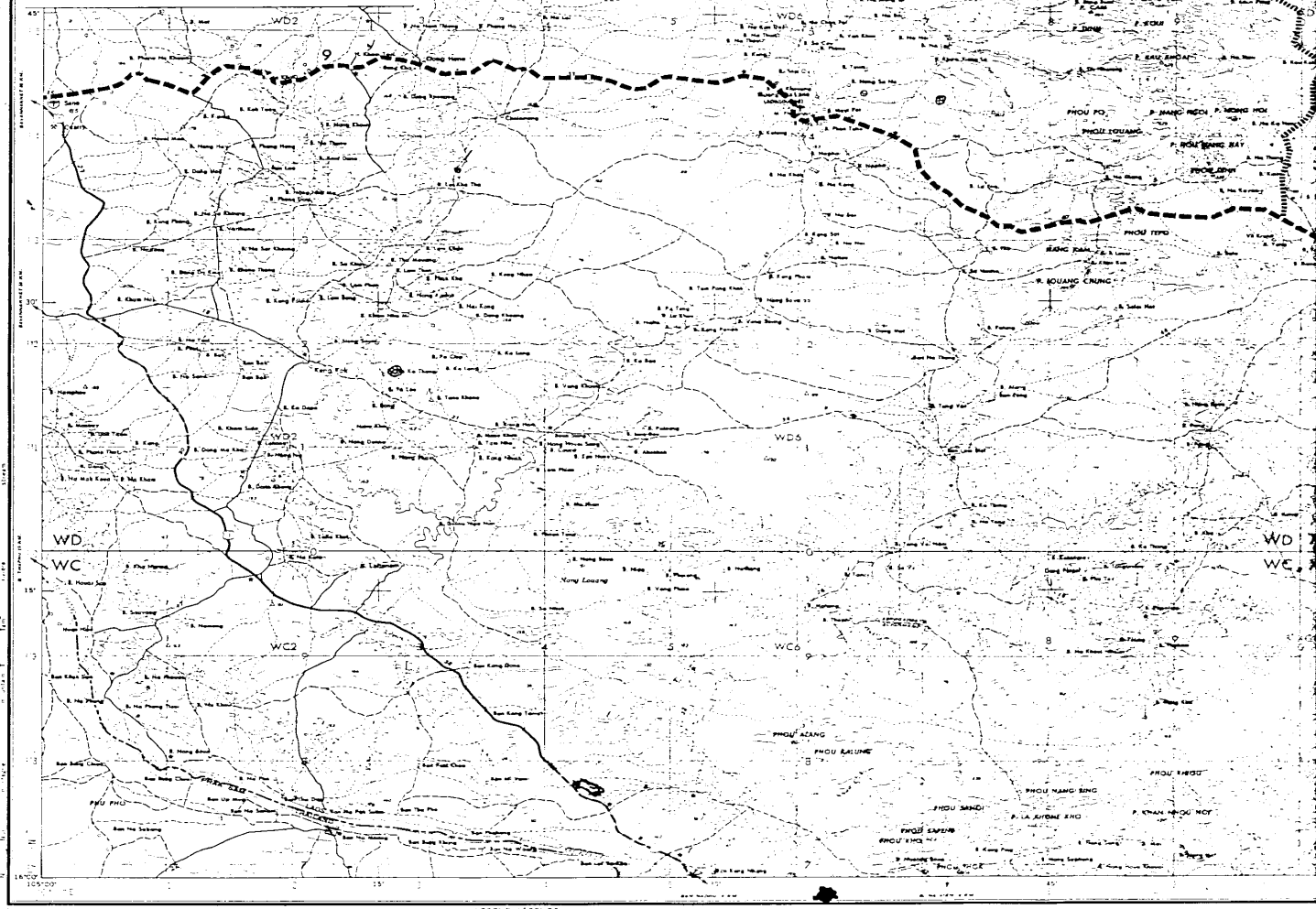
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PLACES		ROADS		LEGEND		LEGENDE	
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HAIPHONG	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000
NAM BINH	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000
Phu Phan	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000	1:250,000

Scale 1:250,000

CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS  
 RELIEF PARTIALLY SHOWN BY BRUNNEN  
 TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION

- ROADS**
- Highway, 2 Lanes
  - Two-lane, improved surface treated, gravel
  - Two-lane, improved, gravel
  - Single-lane, improved
  - Single-lane, unimproved
  - Jeep trail
  - - - Pack animal trail
- Other Symbols:**
- Bridge
  - Ford
  - Ferry
  - Possible POL storage
  - ▲ Possible maintenance facilities



**GLOSSARY**

Altitude P  
 1000  
 2000  
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**PLACES**

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**LEGEND**

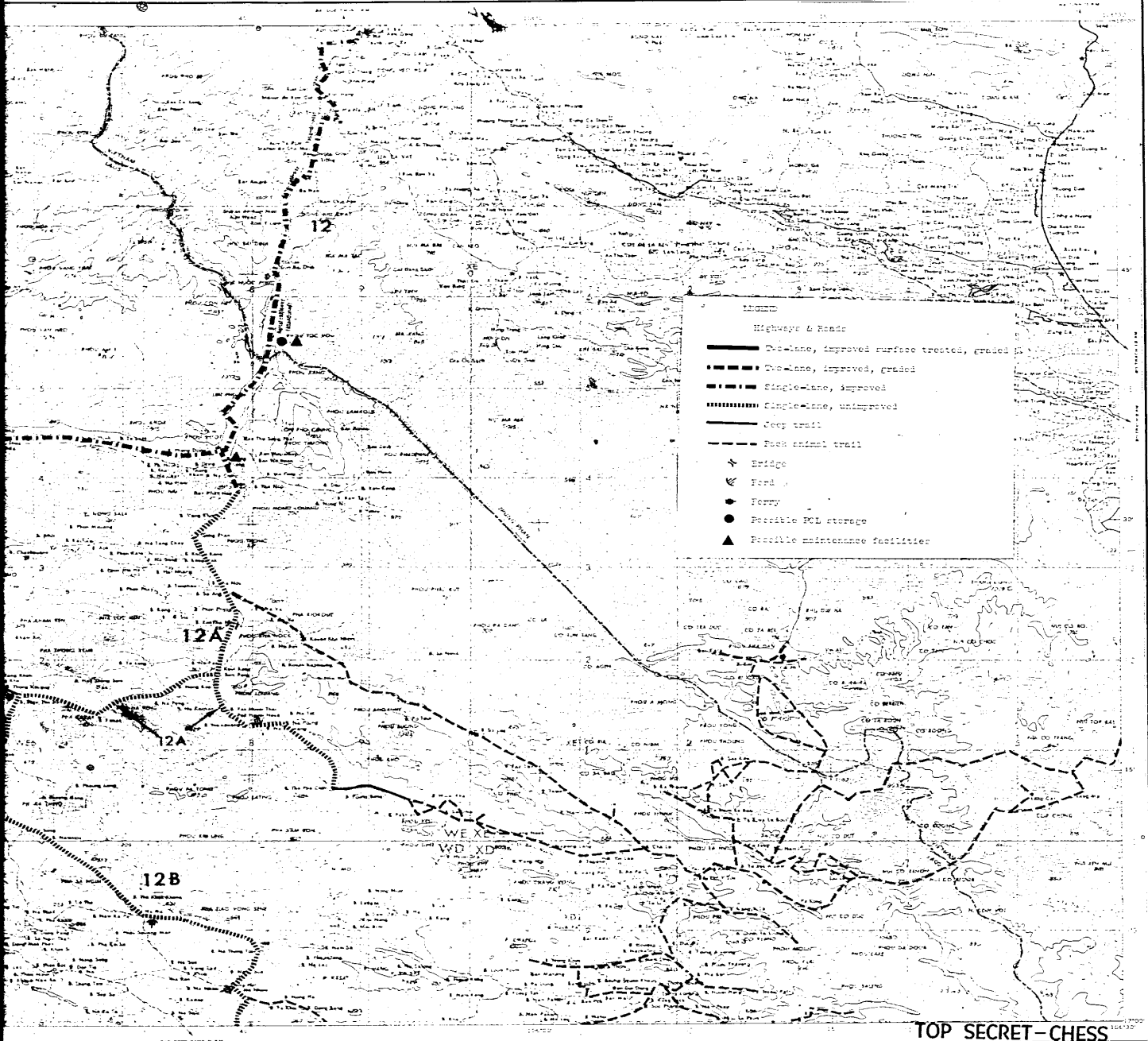
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CONTOUR INTERVAL 100 METERS WITH SUPPLEMENTARY CONTOURS AT 200 METERS  
 TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION







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