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CAMOUFLAGED PROBABLE AKL'S  
TIEN NHA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM  
2118N 10627E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS CAMOUFLAGED PROBABLE AKL'S IN THE TIEN NHA AREA OF NORTH VIETNAM.

2. LOCATION:

THE VESSELS ARE LOCATED 1.5 NM EAST OF TIEN NHA AND 0.6 NM SOUTHEAST OF THE TIEN NHA BOAT YARD [Redacted] ON THE SLUC NAM (RIVER) AT UIM XJ505562. THE EXTENSIVE KEP STORAGE AREA IS LOCATED 11.6 NM NORTHWEST OF THIS AREA.

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3. MISSION READOUT:

PHOTOGRAPHY [Redacted] REVEALS FIVE CAMOUFLAGED PROBABLE AKL'S MOORED ALONG THE NORTH BANK OF THE SLUC NAM (RIVER). THE VESSELS MEASURE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FEET IN LENGTH AND HAVE ONE LARGE HATCH FORWARD. THE AREA IN WHICH THEY ARE MOORED IS LOCATED NEAR A MOTORABLE ROAD WHICH CONNECTS WITH NORTH VIETNAM ROUTE 13B.

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4. REMARKS:

NEW CARGO CARRIERS WITH SMALL CALIBER ARMAMENT (AKL'S) WERE FIRST SIGHTED IN NORTH VIETNAM DURING THE 1966 CHRISTMAS TRUCE, AND WERE PHOTOGRAPHED BY THE U.S.S. MADDOX AT 0545Z [Redacted]

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[Redacted] IN THE VICINITY OF 1758N 10633E ON A NORTHERLY COURSE AT

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10 KTS. THESE VESSELS WERE ENGAGED IN CARGO CARRYING AND ESCORTING CARGO CARRIERS ALONG THE COAST OF NORTH VIETNAM. THE MAXIMUM SPEED OF THE VESSELS WAS ESTIMATED TO BE 17 KTS.<sup>1</sup>

AKL'S WERE AGAIN SEEN TAKING PART IN THE 08-11 FEBRUARY TET TRUCE RESUPPLY OPERATIONS. ALTHOUGH THE EXACT NUMBER OF THE NEW CLASS OF LIGHT CARGO VESSELS NOW IN NORTH VIETNAM IS NOT KNOWN, FOURTEEN WERE PHOTOGRAPHED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN NORTH VIETNAMESE WATERS ON [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AKL'S WERE OBSERVED IN THE HAI PHONG AREA.

THE AKL (LIGHT CARGO VESSEL) IS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY FEET IN LENGTH AND HAS AN APPROXIMATE BEAM WIDTH OF TWENTY FEET. THE LARGE SINGLE HATCH LOCATED IN THE WELL DECK FORWARD OF THE SUPER-STRUCTURE MEASURES [REDACTED] ARMAMENT CONSISTS OF ONE MACHINE GUN MOUNTED FORWARD AND ONE AFT.

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UTM COORDINATE FROM AMS SERIES L7014, SHEET 6251 I.

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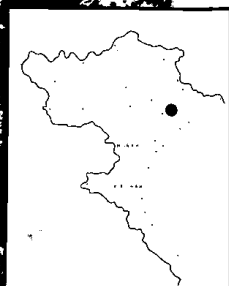
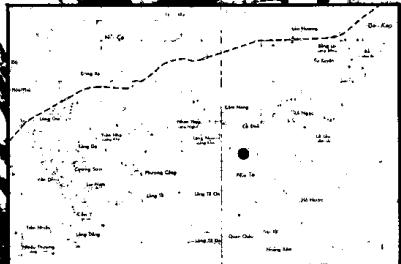
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# CAMOUFLAGED PROBABLE AKL'S

## TIEN NHA AREA, NORTH VIETNAM

21-18N 106-27E



TIEN NHA 1.5 NM

SLUC NAM

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15X ENLARGED  
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LIGHT CARGO VESSEL

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