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PHU THO AIRFIELD
NORTH VIETNAM
2123N 10512E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD SHOWS THE STRIKE DAMAGE INFLICTED UPON PHU THO AIRFIELD AND ITS VICINITY.

2. REMARKS:

PHOTOGRAPHY OF OCTOBER 1965 REVEALED RESURFACING ACTIVITY AT PHU THO AIRFIELD.

STRIKE DATA REPORTS THAT TWENTY-FOUR USAF AIRCRAFT, SUPPORTED BY TWENTY-ONE ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT, STRUCK PHU THO AIRFIELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 1965. ORDNANCE EXPENDED CONSISTED OF TWENTY 1000-POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, ONE HUNDRED TWENTY 750-POUND GENERAL PURPOSE BOMBS, AND 20 MM AMMUNITION.

3. LOCATION:

PHU THO AIRFIELD IS LOCATED JUST WEST OF PHU THO COMPLEX

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AND FORTY-TWO NM NORTHWEST OF HANOI.

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4. COLLATERAL:

A REPATRIATE, WHO RESIDED IN PHU THO FOR SEVEN YEARS, SKETCHED THE AREA JUST NORTHEAST OF THE AIRFIELD IN THE VICINITY OF THE ATHLETIC FIELD. INCLUDED IN THIS GENERAL AREA ARE/WERE THE PROVINCIAL PROPAGANDA BUREAU, THE PROVINCIAL EDUCATION OFFICE, OTHER GOVERNMENT

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BUILDINGS, AND A MILITARY CAMP. THE ONLY CIVILIAN SCHOOL IDENTIFIED IN THE PHU THO AREA WAS LOCATED BY THE SAME SOURCE NEAR THE CENTER OF TOWN. (DATE OF INFORMATION 1959)

5. DIMENSIONS/SPECIFICATIONS:

THE AIRFIELD CONSISTS OF A 4,600 X 170 FT., E/W, UNSERVICEABLE GRADED EARTH RUNWAY.

6. MISSION READOUT:

POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY OF REVEALS APPROXIMATELY THIRTY BOMB CRATERS ON AND NEAR THE RUNWAY. FOUR OTHER AREAS NEAR THE AIRFIELD HAVE ALSO BEEN STRUCK:

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A. IN THE AREA JUST NORTH OF THE AIRFIELD, TWELVE BUILDINGS ARE DESTROYED, AND TWENTY-THREE BUILDINGS ARE DAMAGED (FOURTEEN SUFFERED ONLY MINOR DAMAGE).

B. IN THE AREA LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND YARDS NORTHEAST OF THE AIRFIELD, ONE BUILDING IS SEVERELY DAMAGED.

C. IN THE AREA LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF THE EAST END OF THE RUNWAY, EIGHTEEN BUILDINGS ARE DESTROYED AND APPROXIMATELY SEVEN BUILDINGS ARE DAMAGED.

D. IN THE AREA LOCATED APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND YARDS SOUTH OF THE AIRFIELD, TWO BUILDINGS ARE DESTROYED AND ONE BUILDING IS DAMAGED.

THE TOTAL DAMAGE INFLICTED UPON THIS AREA IS THIRTY-TWO BUILDINGS DESTROYED AND THIRTY-TWO BUILDINGS DAMAGED.

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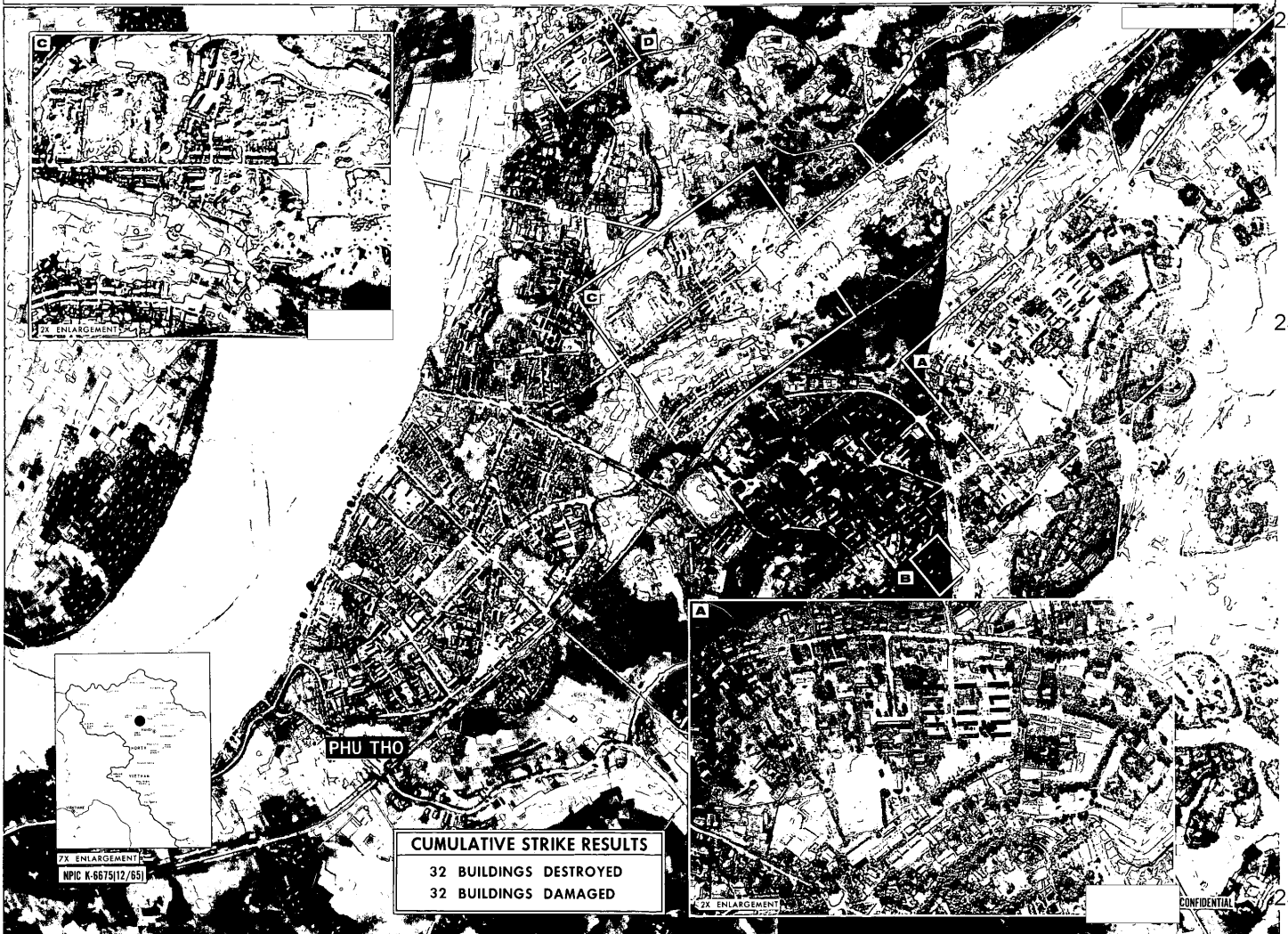
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