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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Frank Sieverts
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Commander Bruce Heller, USN
Chief, PW/MIA Branch
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FROM : Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT : Possible Survivors of Air Vietnam Crash of 12 March 1975

The following information has recently been received [redacted] the source was in contact for a number of years with [redacted] officials in South Vietnam [redacted]

a. A [redacted] official, who now resides in the United States as a refugee, received a letter from another former [redacted] employee, who had escaped by boat from Vietnam and was living in the Lam Son boat refugee camp in Thailand. The refugee in Thailand [redacted] said that shortly after the North Vietnamese took charge of work [redacted] one of the military personnel [redacted] stated that the pilot of the DC-4 which crashed near Pleiku on 12 March 1975, while enroute from Vientiane to Saigon, was alive and in Hanoi.

b. A rumor [redacted] also stated that there may have been survivors (of the DC-4 crash.)

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