JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING

BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 20 DECEMBER 1993

========== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ==========

REFNO: 1286-0-01 (ACCNO 6198) Status: (A) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: CALLAHAN, DAVID FRANCIS JR Date Status assigned: 11 Jul 1974

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| Nationality | AMERICAN | Race | CAUCASIAN | Blood Chit | # |
| Service | NAVY | Sex | MALE | Blood type | # # |
| Grade | 04 | Hair | BROWN | Complexion | # |
| SSAN | DATA | Eyes | BLUE | Weapon | # |
| Serial No | | Height | 70 in /1.78 mtrs | Weapon No | # |
| Birth date | 10 Nov 1934 | Weight | 177 lb / 80.2 kg | Duty pos | PILOT |
| Home State | VERMONT | Religion | CATHOLIC | PW Camp | $ |

========== SITE INFORMATION ==========

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: WATER SITE
UTM: 48QYF273135
Lat/Long: 181201N / 1070858E
Country: OVER WATER - VN
Military Region: $
Mission Province: VN - OVERWATER
(formerly):
Mission District: VN - OVERWATER
Mission Date: 23 Sep 1968
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: None.

========== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY ==========

No Information Available

========== VEHICLE DATA ==========

Vehicle Type: A4E Serial: 152091
Crash Type: Aircraft accident Engine Type: J52
Call Sign: BEACH HEAD 1 Serial: 660875
Year: $ 2 Serial:

========== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY ==========

# = Item has been researched but data cannot be obtained.
$ = Item is not applicable to this case.
@ or Blank = Data for item is unknown or not available.



CASE: 1286

=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

25 March 1976

ON 23 SEPTEMBER 1968 LCDR DAVID F. CALLAHAN, JR., WAS THE PILOT OF AN A4E AIRCRAFT, (#152091), ATTEMPTING A CARRIER LANDING ON THE USS INTREPID WHEN IT CRASHED OVERWATER IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES YF 273 135. THE AIRCRAFT'S APPROACH WAS GOOD UNTIL IN CLOSE WHEN IT BEGAN A LEFT BANK, THE NOSE DROPPED AND IT TOUCHED DOWN SHORT, STRIKING THE LANDING PLATFORM. THE AIRCRAFT CONTINUED ITS LEFT ROLL AND IMPACTED THE WATER. NO EJECTION ATTEMPT WAS OBSERVED AND SEARCH EFFORTS FAILED TO RECOVER THE PILOT OR AIRCRAFT DEBRIS. (REF 1 & 2)

AN OVERWATER/AT-SEA CASUALTY RESOLUTION OPERATION WAS CONDUCTED DURING THE PERIOD OF JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1973 TO DETERMINE THF FEASIBILITY/DESIRABILITY OF EXPANDING SUCH OPERATIONS TO BE USED IN CASES SUCH AS THIS. BASED ON THE COMBINED FACTORS OF COST AND LACK OF ANY POSITIVE RESULTS WHATSOEVER, THE AT-SEA OPERATIONS WERE TERMINATED. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIYFING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. LCDR CALLAHAN IS CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, REMAINS NONRECOVERABLE.

=== REFERENCES ===

25 March 1976

REFERENCES USED: 1. LTR, 19 JUN 74. 2. , MSG USS INTREPID, 230849Z SEP 68.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

13 December 1993

DURING THE 28 JULY 1993 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI, A LIST OF CASES INVOLVING 168 UNACCOUNTED-FOR PERSONNEL PRESUMABLY LOST OVER WATER AT LEAST 10 KILOMETERS FROM THE COAST OF VIETNAM WAS PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT. THE VIETNAMESE WERE ASKED TO UNILATERALLY REVIEW THIER RECORDS FOR RELEVANT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THESE CASES.