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 TO AIG 9135  
 INFO RUEOAYB/CDRFSTC INTEL OPS CHARLOTTESVILLE VA //AIFICB//  
 RUCIAEA/FTD WPAFB OH //XOQP//  
 RUEHIL/USDAO ISLAKABAD PK  
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COUNTRY: (U) AF; UR; PK

SUBJ: (U) IMPACT OF THE STINGER MISSILE ON SOVIET AND RESISTANCE TACTICS IN AF.

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SOURCE: (S/NOFORN/WNIINTEL)

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SUMMARY: (C/NOFORN) THE INTRODUCTION OF THE STINGER ANTIAIRCRAFT MISSILE SYSTEM INTO AF IN SEPTEMBER 1986 HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT AND EXTENSIVE IMPACT ON SOVIET CLOSE AIR SUPPORT TACTICS.

TEXT: (C/NOFORN) 1. STINGER INTRODUCTION IN AF SINCE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE STINGER MISSILE IN AF IN SEPTEMBER 1986,

THE GENERAL IMPACT HAS FAVORED THE MUJAHIDIN AND ALTERED THE APPLICATION OF AIR POWER AND THE CONDUCT OF CLOSE AIR SUPPORT BY THE SOVIET AND <><>AFGHAN<><> ARMED FORCES. MORE TACTICAL AND AIR SUPPORT CHANGES OCCURRED IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 1986 AND THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1987 THAN IN THE PREVIOUS SEVEN YEARS OF THE CONFLICT.

2. (C/NOFORN) REDUCTION AND CHANGE IN CLOSE AIR SUPPORT ROLE THE QUANTITY OF DIRECT CLOSE AIR SUPPORT TO <><>SOVIET/AFGHAN<><> GROUND OPERATIONS HAS BEEN REDUCED SIGNIFICANTLY, AND THE APPLICATION OF ALL FORMS OF CLOSE AIR SUPPORT HAS BEEN MODIFIED.

BY JANUARY 1987, THE CHANGES IN RESPONSE TO THE INCREASED MUJAHIDIN AIR DEFENSE CAPABILITY WERE UNIFORM AND OBVIOUS THE LOW ALTITUDE CIRCLING AIRCRAFT WERE ABSENT FROM MOST GROUND MOVEMENTS. ON CALL AIR STRIKES ARE STILL AVAILABLE, BUT LESS RESPONSIVE THAN WAS POSSIBLE PREVIOUSLY.

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OUTNUMBER MUJAHIDIN CASUALTIES IN APPLICATIONS OF CLOSE AIR  
SUPPORT.

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MORE JETS HAVE BEEN SHOT DOWN WITH HEAVY MACHINE GUNS SINCE JANUARY 1987 THAN IN ANY SIMILAR PREVIOUS PERIOD. THE MUJAHIDIN ALSO INDIRECTLY ATTRIBUTE THIS TO THE STINGER PRESENCE, WHICH IS CREDITED WITH CAUSING THE LOW-LEVEL APPROACHES.

6. (C/NOPORN) CONVOY AIR SUPPORT CHANGES CONVOY AIR COVER HAS SIMILARLY CHANGED, AND THE LOW LEVEL CIRCLING HELICOPTER GUNSHIPS ACCOMPANYING GROUND TRANSPORT CONVOYS HAVE DISAPPEARED;

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<><>SOVIET/AFGHAN<><> ARMED FORCES LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS (LOC'S) HAS BEEN RADICALLY DIMINISHED SINCE LATE 1986. THE PRIMARY FACTORS IN MOTIVATING THIS CHANGE ARE: THE INCREASE IN THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MUJAHIDIN AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS INVENTORY;

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CIVILLIAN TARGETS AS RETALIATORY OR PUNISHMENT STRIKES HAS ALSO INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY SINCE LATE 1986.

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