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Crashed Aircraft Site Report

Date Visited: 23 Sep 2008.

Model & Serial Number: C-46A #42-107386.

GPS Coordinates: N 27-11-23.1 E 093-25-41.0.

Datum: WGS 84.

Country: India.

State/Province: Arunachal Pradesh.

Nearest Town/Village: Karoi.

Distance/Direction: 1-day trek W of Karoi.

Altitude: 6,559 ft.

Topography: Hills.

Aspect: ESE.

Terrain Notes: Moderate slope.

Vegetation: Jungle.

Nearest Water: Small stream approx. 1 mi. from site.

Site Disturbance: Significant disturbance caused by salvaging.

Aircraft ID Method: Panel with partial wing number 07386.

Engines/Propellers: 2 engines and propeller blades.

Wreckage/Artifacts/ID Tags: Wreckage extending approx. 200 yds. downslope from estimated point of impact. Some salvaged wreckage artifacts seen in Karoi.

Human Remains: None seen by investigator. Interviewed elderly man in Karoi who witnessed the crash and saw many human remains.

Removed from Site: Nothing removed by investigator. Some metal wreckage removed by salvagers.

Photos: See website for photos. Additional photos/video on file.

Misc. Notes: Interviewed elderly man in Karoi who witnessed the crash. He stated he was hunting and camped on crest of nearby hill, and saw aircraft approaching from E during evening. Aircraft was afire and steadily losing altitude as it approached hill and crashed near his campsite. He went to crash site the following morning and rescued the sole survivor. He built a small lean-to for sheltering the injured man. He and other villagers later carried the man down to their village and cared for him until a runner could bring a US Army team to Karoi to rescue the survivor.

Investigator: Clayton Kuhles.