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Crashed Aircraft Site Report

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Wreckage: Yes

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

Date Visited: 23 Sept 2008

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

Datum: WGS 84

Country: India

Province / State: Arunachal Pradesh

Nearest Town / Village: Karoi

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

Map: Google Earth or other satellite imagery.

Elevation: 6,559 ft.

Aspect: ESE

Topography: Hills. See photos.

Terrain Notes: Moderate slope. See photos.

Vegetation: Jungle. See photos.

Aircraft ID Method: Aluminum panel with aircraft construction number 27073 found in Karoi village. See photos.

Engines / Propellers: 2 engines and 2 propellers found at site. See photos.

Wreckage / Artifacts / ID Tags: Wreckage extending approx. 200 yds down slope from estimated point of impact. Wreckage also seen in Karoi. See photos.

Human Remains: None seen by investigator. Interviewed elderly man in Karoi who saw many human remains at site soon after crash occurred.

Removed: I removed nothing from site. Some wreckage taken to Karoi by local villagers. See photos.

Water: Nearest water was approx. 1 mi distant and consisted of a small stream.

Site Disturbance: Significant disturbance caused by salvaging. See photos.

Photos: See website for photos. Additional photos on CD and video on DVD available upon request.

Misc. Notes: Interviewed elderly man in Karoi who witnessed crash. He stated he was camped on crest of hill while hunting, and saw airplane approach from E during evening. Airplane was on fire as it approached hill and crashed near campsite. He went to crashsite and rescued sole survivor. He and other villagers cared for survivor until US Army team arrived in Karoi to recover survivor. See photos.