

Thais Deny a Cambodia Air Attack

BANGKOK, Thailand, July 3 (UPI)—Thailand today denied that her air force planes had carried out bombing raids in Cambodia.

"There is not a single Thai soldier fighting in Cambodia, least of all our air forces," a Government spokesman said.

The spokesman commented following reports from the Thai-Cambodian border that Thai Air Force T-28 fighter-bombers struck for the first time in Cambodia Wednesday.

Reports reaching Bangkok said the raids had been conducted in Ban Phai, a Cambodian village near the border, about 300 miles east of Bangkok.

The planes attacked, the reports said, after enemy forces overran the village, forcing Cambodian soldiers to flee, leaving weapons and ammunition behind.

A military sources did not rule out that the area had been bombed, but said that "if it is true, the raids must have been conducted by the U.S. fighter-bombers, not the Thais."

BANGKOK, July 3 (Reuters)—Informed Government sources said here today that Thai Air Force planes struck enemy targets inside Cambodia Wednesday at the request of a Cambodian military commander who fled into Thailand with 100 of his men.

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