

B-52's Set Sat

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SAIGON, South Vietnam, Thursday, Nov. 9 — The United States military command reports that American B-52 bombers set a record Tuesday for concentrated bombing in a single South Vietnamese province in a single day.

During the same 24-hour period, however, United States air strikes over North Vietnam fell to their lowest number since the current bombing campaign began early last April. A spokesman said that the strikes in the North were reduced because of a typhoon that cut visibility.

Quangtri province, just south of the North Vietnamese border, was the target for the record B-52 saturation raids. There, in the foothills northwest of Quangtri City, 23 missions were flown, the spokesman said. This number was more than double the previous high for a single province and amounted to about 70 aircraft dropping a total of probably somewhat less than 2,000 tons of bombs.

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