



ACTIVITY: Swimming

CASE: [GSAF 2010.05.18.b](#)

DATE: Tuesday May 18, 2010

LOCATION: Off An Duong Vuong Street in Quy Nhon, Binh Dinh province, Vietnam.

NAME: Nguyen Thi Tanh

DESCRIPTION: She is a 60-year-old female, a local woman.

BACKGROUND

MOON PHASE: New Moon, May 14, 2010; First Quarter, May 21, 2010

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 15 meters

TIME: 18h00

NARRATIVE: Two local women, Nguyen Thi Tanh and Nguyen Thi Thu Thao, were swimming when a fish bit Thanh's left foot and she cried out. "I was swimming some 15 meters offshore when some fish bit my left foot ... Thao helped me to get ashore," Tanh said. The fish apparently followed the women to shore; when they were five metres from the water's edge, it bit Tanh's leg and nipped Thao's leg.

INJURIES: Lacerations to anterior aspect of the lower leg. Doctors at the hospital said Tanh suffered a cut five centimeters deep and they had to reconnect a tendon in her foot, while Thao suffered less serious injuries.

FIRST AID / TREATMENT: "People on the beach carried us to the Military Hospital 13," said Tanh.

SPECIES: Thao said the fish looked like a shark of between 20 and 30 kilograms.

SOURCES: Vietnam.net, May 19, 2010, <http://english.vietnamnet.vn/social/201005/Shark-returns-Quy-Nhon-beach-911037/>

Thanh Nien, May 21, 2010, <http://www.thanhniennews.com/2010/Pages/20100521225050.aspx>