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MEMORANDUM

TO: M.H.B. Adler, Chief, Field Service
FROM: J.D. Hanley, Field Representative
SUBJECT: Inhabitants in Town of Tay-Ninh Feel Insecure

FIELD REPORT NO. FS- 580

During my last visit to Tay-Ninh (Nov. 28 & 29) it was ascertained that the populace do not feel safe in venturing out of doors after dark.

There are numerous stories circulating that small groups of armed bandits roam the area outside of town and have performed a number of hold-ups and robberies.

The Civil Police seems to believe that the stories of hold-ups and robberies are true although they could not name any individuals known to them who actually were held-up.

This insecure feeling has developed noticeably since the recent raid on refugee camp Trang-Lon, Nov. 2, 1955. The Chief of Province did not mention any unusual disturbances but he did confirm that the National Army has captured 3 of the outlaws who were engaged in the attack on refugee camp Trang-Lon. He stated, when asked for more information, that he was not at liberty to give details on the identity, names or affiliations of the captured bandits because it was exclusively in the hands of the Military.

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