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FROM: JCRC-LNB
TO: Commander, JCRC

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SUBJ: Disabled Tank and Dead Bodies from the Tet '68 Offensive

1. Source/administrative data.
 - a. Name: Nguyen Thi Ngoc Dung (F)
 - b. DPOB: 25 July 1961, Saigon
 - c. Profession:
Pre-1975: Student
 - d. Present location: Bldg H16, Zone F, Pulau Bidong Refugee Camp, Malaysia
 - e. Status: Refugee
 - f. Date of information: 1968
 - g. Interview data: Source was interviewed at Pulau Bidong Refugee Camp, Malaysia on 9 March 1986 by Thomas R. McKay, CW2, USA
 - h. Other: Source departed Vietnam on 12 December 1985. Her final address in Vietnam was 1280/27 Pham The Hien St, Ward 7, District 8, HCMC.

2. Incident Summary. Source provides firsthand information concerning a burning, disabled tank and dead body she saw after the Tet 1968 Offensive on Pham The Hien St, HCMC. End summary.

3. Information. The following information was related by Source to interviewer as fact. Sometime in 1968 (Source could not recall specific date), when Source was seven or eight years of age, she personally observed a disabled tank which was burning and saw several bodies which she believed to be of Americans on the tank. Source recalled the incident must have been the result of the Tet 1968 Communist offensive. Source saw the tank somewhere on Pham The Hien St, Saigon. Source later heard that several dozen Americans died in the fighting and that someone (NFI) had taken the bodies to the countryside to bury them in order to hide them (NFI). Source understood some of the bodies were buried under the Cau Hiep Anh bridge which is located in District 7 or 8, (Note: we locate the bridge at vicinity XS 821876 or 842882), on Pham The Hien St. Source stated that all people who lived on Pham The Hien St at that time were aware of the burial of the bodies. Source blamed her young age at the time of the incident as the reason she could not recall any further details concerning the bodies or their burial.

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