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 GENTEXT/SITUATION/ARCHIVAL RESEARCH TEAMS (ART) REPORT NO
 SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN ACTIVITIES. HQ AND DET STAFFS PREPARE FOR
 UPCOMING 23RD JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY (JFA) IN VIETNAM. PAR 03-5L
 POSTPONED WHILE AWAITING OFFICIAL LAO RESPONSE. JTF-FA SUSPENDED

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 FIELD OPERATIONS IN CAMBODIA; WILL ASSESS FUTURE ACTIVITIES BASED
 ON SECURITY SITUATION AFTER ELECTIONS.//
 GENTEXT/OPERATIONS/

A. VIETNAM

(1) ARCHIVAL RESEARCH ACTIVITY.

(A) ART 1 TRAVELED TO THAI NGUYEN (MILITARY REGION 1)
 8-9 APR 93 TO EXAMINE ALL RELEVANT ARTIFACTS AT THE VIET BAC
 CULTURAL AND BAC THAI PROVINCE MUSEUMS. ART 1 DEPLOYS TO MR3
 MUSEUM, KIEN AN, 16 APR 93.

(B) ART 2 CONTINUES COLLECTION AT THE MRS MUSEUM.
 CW2 WEBB RETURNED TO BANGKOK 10 APR 93 FOR AN INTERVIEW AT THE
 REQUEST OF THE USCINCPAC IG.

(C) ART 3 CONDUCTED R & R DURING THIS REPORTING
 PERIOD; RESUMED OPS 12 APR 93.

(D) RESEARCH SUMMARY (AS OF 11 APR 93):

	PHOTOS	ENVELOPES	ACCESSION RECORDS	ARTIFACTS
ART-1	1,879	209	638	3,875
ART-2	99	119	2,044	4,762
ART-3	9	-	1	2,107

(2) FIELD OPERATIONS.

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(A) PREPARATION CONTINUES FOR THE 23RD JFA. FOUR
 INVESTIGATION AND THREE RECOVERY TEAMS WILL OPERATE IN CENTRAL
 VIETNAM; 22 APR-24 MAY 93. U.S. AND SRV AGREED TO FINAL TEAM
 COMPOSITION AND WORK PLAN AT TECH TALKS IN HANOI, 5-6 APR 93.

(B) COORDINATION CONFERENCE TO PLAN FOR 23RD JFA
 TOOK PLACE IN DA NANG 12 APR 93. DET TWO CDR, AND
 REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL INVOLVED PROVINCES, THE FLIGHT SERVICES
 CORP, AND DA NANG AIRPORT CUSTOMS/IMMIGRATION OFC ATTENDED. THIS
 MEETING WAS THE MOST PRODUCTIVE YET; PARTICIPANTS CLEARLY HAD
 PREPARED AND WERE READY TO DISCUSS DETAILS. AS ONE OUTCOME OF
 THE MEETING, PARTICIPANTS IDENTIFIED CASES WHOSE LOCATION
 RELATIVE TO THE LAOTIAN BORDER POSES DIFFICULTIES. SPECIFIC
 CASES INCLUDE 1035 (GROUND LOSS, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 1191
 (GROUND LOSS, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR), 1298 (HH-3E, TWO UNACCOUNTED
 FOR), 1299 (GROUND LOSS, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), AND 1598 (OV-10A,
 ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR).

(3) LIVE SIGHTING INVESTIGATIONS. NONE CONDUCTED THIS
 PERIOD.

(4) REPORT OF 17TH JOINT FORENSIC REVIEW.
 FROM 3-5 APR 93, JOINT FORENSIC TEAM CONDUCTED AN EXAMINATION OF

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REMAINS ALLEGED TO BE THOSE OF U.S. SERVICE MEMBERS LISTED AS UNACCOUNTED-FOR FROM THE VIETNAM WAR, AT THE 108TH MILITARY HOSPITAL, HANOI. OF 13 CASES EXAMINED, CIRCUMSTANTIAL AND/OR BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE FOR EIGHT DICTATED FURTHER ANALYSIS AT GILHI. THE EIGHT CASES WERE ASSOCIATED WITH CASES 0171 (O-1E, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0212 (C-130E, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0267 (AC-47, THREE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0849 (U-10B, ONE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0933 (UH-1D, FIVE UNACCOUNTED FOR), 0978 (RF-4C, TWO UNACCOUNTED FOR), 1833 (UH-1H, FIVE UNACCOUNTED FOR), AND 1837 (C-130E, SIX UNACCOUNTED FOR). REMAINS WILL UNDERGO THOROUGH ANALYSIS AT GILHI; APPROPRIATE REVIEWS AND BOARD ACTIONS WILL THEN FOLLOW.

B. LAOS.

(1) DET THREE PREPARES FOR JFA 93-5L. OPLAN SPECIFIES ONE INVESTIGATION AND TWO RECOVERY TEAMS. LAO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS DID NOT APPROVE THE START DATE FOR JFA 93-5L 10 DAYS IN ADVANCE AS REQUESTED, NULLIFYING 21 APR 93 START DATE. U.S. THEN PROPOSED DATE 29 APR 93 START DATE, ASKING FOR A RESPONSE AFTER THE 13-16 APR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

(2) MEETING AT MFA (8 APR 93). DET THREE GDR MET WITH MR. DONE SOMVORACHIT. GOL REQUESTED FIELD TEAMS LIMIT ACTIVITIES

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TO APPROVED DISTRICTS, ADDRESSED PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT, AND SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION CONCERNS, AND SUGGESTED TRILATERAL MEETING DATES FOR LATE MAY OR EARLY JUNE.

C. CAMBODIA. INCREASED THREAT TO SAFETY OF U.S. PERSONNEL CAUSED PREMATURE TERMINATION OF JFA 93-4C. TEAM REDEPLOYED TO THAILAND 7 AND 8 APR 93 VIA C-130. TEAM RETURNED TO U.S. 8 AND 11 APR 93. BY 12 APR 93, JTF-FA HAD CUSTODY OF ALL U.S. GOVERNMENT PROPERTY FROM THE FORMER FORWARD OPERATING BASE IN STOENG TRENG.//

GENTEXT/INTELLIGENCE/

A. DET ONE. NTR.

B. DET TWO.

(1) RECEIVED NO WALK-IN INTERVIEWS DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

(2) HISTORIAN AND ANALYST/LINGUIST INTERVIEWED SRCOL PHAM DUC DAI, DIRECTOR OF THE PAVN MUSEUM IN HANOI 14 APR 93, ABOUT INFORMATION IN HIS PERSONAL JOURNAL ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0646 (BOAT, FOUR UNACCOUNTED FOR). CODEL KERRY LEARNED OF THIS DURING ITS LAST VISIT TO HANOI. SRCOL DAI SAID HIS JOURNAL ONLY SUMMARIZED INFORMATION PROVIDED BY VILLAGERS IN THUONG HOA

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HAMLET, QUANG NGAI TOWNSHIP, QUANG NGAI PROVINCE. HE ADDED THAT HE DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SHOOTING OF THE AMERICANS IN QUESTION, NOR DID HE PARTICIPATE IN ANY BURIAL OR SUBSEQUENT MOVEMENT AND REBURIALS OF THESE REMAINS; HE NEVER PERSONALLY SAW THE BODIES OR REMAINS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CASE. SRCOL DAI PROVIDED NAMES AND SOME ADDRESS INFORMATION FOR POSSIBLE LEADS.

C. DET THREE. WHILE IN THAILAND, MR GADOURY MET COL SISOPHONH BANGONESENGDET, LAO MILITARY/AIR ATTACHE IN BANGKOK. COL SISOPHONH AND A COLLEAGUE, LTC KHAMLA, ESCORTED A LEAGUE OF FAMILIES DELEGATION TO VISIT U.S. LOSS SITES IN PAKXE AND VIENGXAI PROVINCES IN 1982. COL SISOPHONH ADDED THAT LTC KHAMLA IS CURRENTLY THE LAO ECONOMIC ATTACHE IN BEIJING, PRC. (NOTE: U.S. AUTHORITIES DID NOT PREVIOUSLY KNOW LTC KHAMLA'S WHEREABOUTS; MAY HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING U.S. POW'S DETAINED IN LAOS DURING THE WAR.)

D. DET FOUR. NTR

E. HQ JTF-FA.

(1) DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD, JTF-FA SENT 58 NOTIFICATIONS TO SERVICE CASUALTY OFFICES FOR RELEASE TO NEXT OF

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(2) ARCHIVAL RESEARCH ANALYSIS BRANCH IDENTIFIED CORRELATIONS TO THREE UNRESOLVED CASES DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD, AND FORWARDED NOTIFICATIONS TO RESPECTIVE SERVICE BRANCH

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 CASUALTY OFFICES.//
 GENTEXT/LOGISTICS/

A. DET ONE.

(1) COMPLETED LOGISTICS ACTIVITIES SUPPORTING RE-DEPLOYMENT OF THE JFA 93-4C.

(2) OBTAINED ONE SATCOM AND ANTENNA FROM THE CAMBODIA TEAM. WILL HOLD IN U'TAPHAO WAREHOUSE FOR NEXT CHANNEL AIRLIFT TO DET FOUR.

(3) COMPLETING LOGISTICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PLANNING FOR THE 93-5L AND 23RD JFA. COORDINATED 23RD JFA WATER RESUPPLY SCHEDULE AND REQUESTED FLIGHT SCHEDULES UPDATED THROUGH MAY 93.

B. DET TWO.

(1) CITY WATER LINE. WORK COMPLETED. EXPECT CITY WATER COMPANY TO OPEN THE MAIN VALVE NEXT WEEK.

(2) ELECTRICAL UPGRADE TO DET HOUSE KITCHEN. WORK 90 PER CENT COMPLETE; CONTRACTOR EXPECTS TO FINISH PROJECT 17 APR 93.

(3) NEW STORAGE BUILDING. WORK 75 PER CENT COMPLETE. PROJECT COMPLETION ESTIMATED 17 APR 93.

(4) WATER PRESSURE BOOSTER SYSTEM. ANTICIPATE

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CONTRACTOR COST PROPOSAL 16 APR 93. ESTIMATE TWO-WEEK INSTALLATION PERIOD FROM DATE OF PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE.

(5) CLAIM (\$18,206) FOR 10 FACILITY RENOVATION ITEMS. NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED; CLAIM SETTLED 9 APR 93 FOR \$5,500.

(6) ADDITIONAL WATER STORAGE TANKS. NEGOTIATED \$2,600 PROJECT COST AND 30 APR 93 COMPLETION DATE.

(7) SECOND NEW STORAGE BUILDING. EVALUATING CONTRACTOR'S PROPOSAL (WHICH EXCEEDS PROJECT BUDGET). PREPARING FOR VENDOR DISCUSSIONS.

(8) OUTSIDE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS. ANTICIPATE INITIATING WORK BY END OF MONTH PENDING SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS OF SCOPE AND COST.

C. DET THREE.

(1) CONTINUING PRE-DEPLOYMENT PREPARATIONS FOR JFA 93-5L.

(2) PREPARED INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ORDERS PROVIDING AIRLINE TICKETS AND ADVANCE TRAVEL FUNDS FOR TWO LAO MILITARY DOCTORS TO ATTEND THE ASIA MILITARY MEDICAL CONFERENCE IN JAKARTA, 18-24 APR 93.

D. DET FOUR.

(1) ARRANGING FINAL REIMBURSEMENT CLAIMS ASSOCIATED WITH

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JFA 93-4C.

(2) CONTINENTAL INDOCHINE, AVIATION FUEL SUPPLIER, IS FINALIZING A BILL FOR FUEL DELIVERED IN STOENG TRENG. DET ESTIMATES BILL AT \$20,000.

(3) INSTALLED AFRTS RADIO SATELLITE RECEIVER AND ANTENNA AT DET OFFICE 10 APR 93, SYSTEM FULLY OPERATIONAL.

(4) CJTF-FA APPROVED COMPLETING FINAL TRANSFER OF \$132,546.06 EQUIPMENT TO SOC, IAW PUBLIC LAW 102-391. ANTICIPATE SIGNING TRANSFER DOCUMENTS BY END OF NEXT WEEK.

E. HQ JTF-FA.

(1) EXPECT RAIL SHIPMENT OF 30 MITSUBISHI VEHICLES FROM CAMP RED CLOUD, UIJONGBU, KOREA TO PORT OF PUSAN, 15 APR 93. ANTICIPATE VEHICLE ARRIVAL HONG KONG FOR INSPECT/REPAIR FIRST WEEK OF MAY 93.

(2) PACNAVFACENGCOC COMPLETED FINAL DISTRIBUTION OF DET TWO FACILITIES LEASE AGREEMENT 8 APR 93.//
GENTEXT/COMMUNICATIONS/CONNECTIVITY/

A. DET ONE. NTR.

B. DET TWO. NTR.

C. DET THREE.

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(1) ALTHOUGH TAGSAT WAS OPERATIONAL, DET EXPERIENCED DEGRADED COMMS WITH HQ.

(2) EMBASSY FAX INOP, ETR 19-21 APR 93. NATIONAL HOLIDAY DELAYED REPAIR.

(3) ALL BUT ONE TELEPHONE LINE INTO EMBASSY ARE INOP; ETR 19 APR 93.

D. DET FOUR. LINEAR AMPLIFIER FOR HF BASE STATION IS INOP; HOWEVER, THE 100W RADIO IS STILL SERVICEABLE. RMCM MCCALL WILL TRAVEL TO CAMBODIA AFTER 23RD JFA (SRV) TO INSPECT THE AMPLIFIER.

E. HQ JTF-FA. RMCM MCCALL DEPLOYED TO BANGKOK TO PREPARE COMMS SUPPORT FOR UPCOMING 23RD JFA.//
GENTEXT/PERSONNEL/

A. JTF-FA MANNING REMAINS 142 MILITARY PERSONNEL (159 AUTHORIZED), AND 21 CIVILIANS (23 AUTHORIZED). ROSTER ALSO CARRIES SEVEN EXCESS AND THREE ATTACHED PERSONNEL.

B. GAINS:

(1) TSGT NGUYEN, USAF, J3, LINGUIST.

(2) TSGT RECKER, USAF, J1, PERSONNEL TECH.

(3) SGT COLE, USA, J3, LINGUIST.

C. DET ONE CDR COMPLETED INVESTIGATION OF JTF-FA MEMBER IN

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SOC ORDERED BY CJTF-FA. HQ JTF-FA, USCINCPAC, SJA AND OTHER INTERESTED OFFICES ARE REVIEWING THIS REPORT.//
GENTEXT/SIGNIFICANT/POLITICAL/DIPLOMATIC/MILITARY EVENTS/PAO/

A. DET TWO.

(1) INTERVIEW, BY PHONE, BRIAN SHERRY, CNN RADIO, 8 APR 93.

(2) INTERVIEW IN HANOI, HIROYUKI SUGIYAMA, YOMIURI SHIMBUN (JAPANESE DAILY NEWSPAPER), 9 APR 93.

(3) GEN (RET) SCHWARZKOPF AND CBS ANCHOR DAN RATHER INTERVIEWED DET TWO CDR.

B. HQ JTF-FA.

(1) STAFF PAO RETURNED FROM SUPPORT OF O'GRADY VISIT, TECH TALKS, JOINT FORENSICS REVIEW, ORIENTATION BRIEF FOR NEW CORRESPONDENTS IN HANOI, AND REPATRIATION, 8 APR 93.

(2) CHIEF PAO DEPARTED FOR HANOI ISO GEN VESSEY VISIT TO SRV 14 APR 93.//
GENTEXT/COMMANDER'S COMMENTS/SCHEDULE/

A. TDY SE ASIA 15-24 APR 93, ISO GEN VESSEY'S MEETING IN HANOI, 18-19 APR; INCLUDES STOPS IN LAOS AND SOC.

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B. TDY SE ASIA 10-20 MAY 93, SITE INSPECTION IN LAOS AND VIETNAM.

C. TDY SE ASIA 25 MAY-6 JUN 93. BACK BRIEF OF 23RD JFA IN BANGKOK (27 MAY), SITE INSPECTION IN CAMBODIA (29 MAY) AND TECH

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TALKS IN LAOS (31 MAY-1 JUN) AND VIETNAM (3-4 JUN).//
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