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SUBJ: JCRC RPT #89-021; REMAINS AND LOG TAG
 INFORMATION FROM VIETNAM (U)

- 1. (C) SOURCE/ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:
 - A. NAME: NGUYEN VAN BA (M)
 - E. DPOB: 10 JULY 46; TAN AN (V), CHAU THANH (L), VINH ICAC (F)
 - C. OCCUPATION:
 - PRE-1975: SCHOOLTEACHER
 - POST-1975: FARMER
 - I. PRESENT LOCATION: BLTG 21/6 ZONE I, PULAU BILONG REFUGEE CAMP, MALAYSIA
 - E. IDENTIFICATION DATA: MC 144024, ID# 152629
 - F. EDUCATION: 12/12
 - G. LANGUAGES: VIETNAMESE ONLY
 - H. RELIGION: CONFUCIANISM
 - I. STATUS: REFUGEE
 - J. DATE OF INFORMATION: 1983
 - K. FINAL ADDRESS IN VIETNAM: 23F AP PHU HUNG (U), ICC HCA (V), CUU LONG (F)
 - L. FCC/RESSETTLEMENT ADDRESS: NONE
 - M. DATE OF ARRIVAL IN 1ST ASYLUM: 5 OCT 88
 - N. INTERVIEW DATA: SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED AT PULAU BILONG ON 15 FEB 89 BY JAMES M. COYLE, GS-12, IOI.
 - O. MAP USED: SCALE: 1:100,000; SERIES: L607; SHEETS: C243, C343

2. (C) SUMMARY: SOURCE PROVIDED A LOG TAG AND REMAINS WHICH HE CLAIMS TO HAVE PURCHASED FROM A WOODCUTTER WHO FOUND THEM IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE. THE LOG TAG IS ASSOCIATED WITH AN ACTIVE CASE. FORENSIC EXAMINATION HAS SHOWN THAT THE REMAINS ARE NOT ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOG TAG. END SUMMARY.

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3. (C) INFORMATION: IN 1983, WHILE SOURCE WAS FARMING IN AN AREA IN FORMER LONG KHANH PROVINCE (NOW PART OF QUANG BINH PROVINCE) HE HEARD THAT THE REMAINS OF MISSING AMERICANS COULD BE EXCHANGED FOR RESETTLEMENT IN THE US. ONE OF HIS WIFE'S NEPHEWS, A MAN NAMED NGUYEN GAI HUNG, OF XUAN TAM (V), XUAN LOC (D), DOAN NAI (F), TOLD SOURCE THAT HE KNEW OF A WOODCUTTER NAMED HAI (ADDRESS AND FULL NAME UNKNOWN) WHO HAD ONCE TOLD HIM ABOUT AN AIRCRAFT CRASH SITE. SOURCE ASKED TO MEET HAI, SO HUNG BROUGHT HIM TO SOURCE'S HOUSE. HAI TOLD SOURCE AND HUNG THAT THERE MIGHT BE REMAINS AT THE CRASH SITE, SO THE TWO MEN DECIDED TO ACCOMPANY HAI TO THE CRASH SITE TO FIND REMAINS.

4. (C) HUNG AND SOURCE ACCOMPANIED HAI AS FAR AS THE BIN HAI RIVER IN THE FORMER DEMILITARIZED ZONE. THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO PROCEED FURTHER, SO HAI CONTINUED NORTH BY HIMSELF. TWO DAYS LATER HAI RETURNED TO THE RIVERSIDE WHERE HUNG AND SOURCE AWAITED THEM. HAI WAS CARRYING ONE PARTIAL HUMAN REMAINS, AND THE LOG TAG OF TYLER, GEORGE L., PR25323, CPOS, CATHOLIC (REFNO 1309-0-01). HAI WOULD NOT TELL THE TWO MEN THE SPECIFIC LOCATION FROM WHICH HE HAD RECOVERED THE REMAINS. HE TOLD THEM ONLY THAT THE CRASH SITE WAS LOCATED IN THE WOODS, NEAR THE RIVER THAT LEADS TO ICNG HOI (SEE PAR 6). SOURCE AND HUNG PAID HAI ONE TRAIL OF COIN FOR THE REMAINS, THEN TOOK THE REMAINS AND LOG TAG BACK TO ICNG NAI. SOURCE BROUGHT THE REMAINS AND LOG TAG WITH HIM TO MALAYSIA AND TURNED THEM OVER TO REFUGEE OFFICERS.

5. (C) INTERVIEWER RECEIVED THE REMAINS IN KUALA LUMPUR, AFTER HIS RETURN FROM PULAU BILONG, AND CARRIED THEM BACK TO BANGKOK. THEY HAVE SINCE BEEN PROCESSING AS CIVIL 0209-89, AND THE ASSOCIATION WITH REFNO 1309 IS TENTATIVELY NULLIFIED. THE LOG TAG WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY.

6. (C) COMMENT: US SERVICE RECORDS PROVIDE A LOCATION OF XT 530509 FOR THE 1309 INCIDENT. THESE COORDINATES ARE 4 KM SE OF THE CAI CIANG RIVER, WHICH EVENTUALLY JOINS THE KIEU GIANG AND FLOWS INTO THE GULF OF TONKIN THROUGH THE NHAT LY ESTUARY IN

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ICNG HOI CITY. SOURCE'S NARRATIVE STRAINS CREDIBILITY, PARTICULARLY WITH REFERENCE TO THE TWO DAYS OF WAITING ON THE BANKS OF THE BEN HAI FOR "HAI" TO COME BACK FROM THE CRASH SITE. FOR SOURCE TO HAVE TRAVELED ALL THE WAY FROM LONG NAI PROVINCE UP TO THE BEN HAI, YET NOT HAVE DARED TO CROSS THE RIVER, IS HIGHLY IMPROBABLE. UNDER THE SKEPTICAL QUESTIONING OF INTERVIEWER, SOURCE STOOD BY HIS STORY. NEVERTHELESS, IT APPEARS TO INTERVIEWER THAT SOURCE PURCHASED THE REMAINS FROM A DEALER, WHO APPEARS IN THE NARRATIVE AS THE MYSTERIOUS "MR. HAI", WHO HAD ACCESS TO THE 1300 CRASH SITE OR WAS IN CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO DID.

7. (C) SOURCE PROVIDED OTHER REMAINS-RELATED INFORMATION WHICH WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.

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