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AMPN/SUBJ: SRV ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW WITH MR. NGUYEN THANH NAM

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RMKS/1. REF A REPORTS THE RESULTS OF AN INTERVIEW WITH MR.

NGUYEN NAM, FORMER DANANG CITY PARTY COMMITTEE SECRETARY.

ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE MR. NAM (SOURCE)

INDICATES CORRELATIONS TO REFNO 0010, REFNO 0604 AND REFNO 0895 THIS IS NOT A FINAL EVALUATION.

2. IN PARA THREE OF REF, SOURCE PROVIDED INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGED CAPTURE OF TWO AMERICAN SOLDIERS NEAR NAM THANH VILLAGE, QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE, IN THE EARLY 1960'S. THIS INFORMATION CORRELATES WELL WITH REFNO 0010, A RESOLVED CASE.

A. REFNO 0010: ON 8 APRIL 1962, SERGEANT FIRST CLASS FRANCIS QUINN AND SERGEANT GEORGE E. GROOM WERE ASSIGNED AS OBSERVERS WITH A U.S. ARMY SPECIAL FORCES TEAM OPERATING IN SOUTHERN VIETNAM. FOLLOWING AN ATTACK ON THE TEAM'S POSITION, SERGEANTS QUINN AND GROOM WERE CAPTURED BY VIET CONG FORCES IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES AT890690, NEAR AN CHAU VILLAGE, QUANG NAM-DANANG (FORMERLY QUANG NAM) PROVINCE, VIETNAM. THE VIET CONG RELEASED SERGEANT FIRST CLASS QUINN AND SERGEANT GROOM ON 1 MAY

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1962.

B. THE SOURCE'S INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARA THREE OF REF PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL TIME FRAME OF OCCURRENCE, LOCATION, RACE AND NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THE ALLEGED INCIDENT CORRELATES WELL WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 0010. THE INCIDENT LOCATION, NEAR AN CHAU VILLAGE (AT890690), IS LESS THAN NINE KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF NAM THAN VILLAGE (AT9563) WHERE THE SOURCE REPORTED THE TWO SOLDIERS WERE ALLEGEDLY CAPTURED. THE NAMES OF THE TWO CAPTIVES PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE CLOSELY MATCH THE LAST NAMES OF SERGEANTS QUINN AND GROOM. THE SOURCE'S REFERENCE TO THE CAPTURED SOLDIERS BELONGING TO A UNIT CALLED "FORCE" IS A CLEAR REFERENCE TO SERGEANTS QUINN AND GROOM'S ASSIGNMENT TO A SPECIAL FORCES UNIT. THE APPARENT DISCREPANCY IN THE LENGTH OF TIME THE SOLDIERS WERE HELD IN CAPTIVITY, I.E. TWENTY-THREE DAYS VICE APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS AS ALLEGED BY THE SOURCE, IS PROBABLY DUE TO THE HEARSAY NATURE OF THE SOURCE'S INFORMATION OR THE NUMBER OF YEARS WHICH HAVE PASSED SINCE THE INCIDENT OCCURRED.

3. IN PARA FOUR OF REF, THE SOURCE PROVIDES HEARSAY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE DEATH OF AN AMERICAN SOLDIER WHO HAD BEEN LURED

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AWAY FROM HIS POSITION BY A FEMALE AGENT. THE INCIDENT DESCRIBED BY THE SOURCE ALLEGEDLY OCCURRED NEAR AN OLD FRENCH OUTPOST CALLED VIEM DONG (BT0965), QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE IN 1967. THIS INFORMATION POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0604.

A. REFNO 0604: ON 28 FEBRUARY 1967, LANCE CORPORAL JAMES R. MOORE WAS PART OF A SECURITY FORCE ASSIGNED TO AN ENGINEER UNIT WORKING ON ROUTE 13 IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES BT073670, APPROXIMATELY 13 KILOMETERS SOUTHEAST OF DANANG CITY, QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE, VIETNAM. CORPORAL MOORE WAS LAST SEEN GOING BEHIND A HEDGE ROW. AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH OF THE AREA FAILED TO LOCATE ANY SIGNS OF CORPORAL MOORE. A CAPTURED VIET CONG DOCUMENT INDICATED THAT ON 28 FEBRUARY 1967, A DIEN VINH VILLAGE (BT0367) GUERRILLA UNIT ALLEGEDLY KILLED ONE AMERICAN SOLDIER BY USING A FEMALE AGENT. THE SOLDIER'S BODY WAS THEN ALLEGEDLY BURIED. THIS REPORT POSSIBLY CORRELATED TO CORPORAL MOORE'S DISAPPEARANCE. LANCE CORPORAL MOORE IS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

B. THE HEARSAY ACCOUNT PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE IN PARA FOUR OF REF CORRELATES WELL WITH INFORMATION RECEIVED DURING THE APRIL 1992 FIELD INVESTIGATION OF THIS CASE AND PREVIOUS REPORTING WHICH HAS BEEN CORRELATED TO THIS CASE. VIEM DONG (BT0965),

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WHERE THE SOLDIER WAS ALLEGEDLY KILLED, IS APPROXIMATELY THREE KILOMETERS FROM THE LOCATION WHERE CORPORAL MOORE'S UNIT WAS ASSIGNED AT THE TIME OF HIS DISAPPEARANCE. THE YEAR OF OCCURRENCE AND RACE OF THE ALLEGED VICTIM ARE CONSISTENT WITH DATA IN THE REFNO 0604 CASE FILE. JTF-FA ANALYSTS ARE UNABLE TO CORRELATE THE NAMES "LEE," "LEW" OR "LOU" T CORPORAL MOORE.

4. THE OTHER HEARSAY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE PARA FIVE OF REF) PERTAINING TO THE SECOND SOLDIER WHO WAS ALLEGEDLY LURED AWAY BY A FEMALE AGENT PROBABLY ALSO REFERS TO REFNO 0604.

5. IN PARA FIVE OF REF, THE SOURCE ALLEGED THAT IN 1967, HE OBSERVED A CAUCASIAN AMERICAN PRISONER ON A TRAIL TOWARD LOC HOA VILLAGE (AT8554) ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, HE WALKED WITH THE AMERICAN FOR SEVERAL HOURS AND THE AMERICAN APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD SPIRITS. THIS INFORMATION PROBABLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 0895.

A. REFNO 0895: ON 8 NOVEMBER 1967, MARINE PRIVATE EARL C. WEATHERMAN, A DESERTER, ESCAPED FROM THE MARINE BRIG AT DANANG. HE WAS REPORTEDLY CAPTURED BY VIET CONG FORCES IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES AT990770, APPROXIMATELY ONE KILOMETER WEST OF DANANG AIR BASE, QUANG NAM-DANANG PROVINCE, VIETNAM, WHILE TRYING

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TO MAKE HIS WAY FROM DANANG TO CHU LAI. HE WAS EVENTUALLY TAKEN TO A VIET CONG PRISON CAMP LOCATED WEST OF QUANG NGAI. INFORMATION PROVIDED BY REPATRIATED U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR DETAINED WITH PRIVATE WEATHERMAN INDICATED THAT HE WAS KILLED IN APRIL 1968 DURING AN ESCAPE ATTEMPT AND THAT HIS BODY WAS BURIED NEAR THE CAMP. HIS BURIAL LOCATION WAS BELIEVED TO BE IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES BS140522. PRIVATE WEATHERMAN'S NAME WAS ON THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT (PRG) LIST OF INDIVIDUALS WHO DIED WHILE IN CAPTIVITY IN SOUTH VIETNAM. ACCORDING TO THE PRG LIST, PRIVATE WEATHERMAN DIED IN JANUARY 1969. PRIVATE WEATHERMAN IS UNACCOUNTED FOR.

B. THE LOCATION OF THE ALLEGED SIGHTING, YEAR OF OCCURRENCE, DESCRIPTION OF THE CAPTURED SOLDIER'S UNIFORM AND RACE OF THE CAPTIVE PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE CORRELATE WELL WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS AND OTHER PERSONAL DATA ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 0895. THE CHEERFUL DEMEANOR ALLEGEDLY EXHIBITED BY THE CAPTURED SOLDIER DURING HIS MARCH ALONG THE TRAIL TOWARD LOC HOA VILLAGE IS MORE CONSISTENT WITH THAT OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WILLINGLY LEFT U.S. CONTROL THAN THAT OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS

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PLACED UNDER VIET CONG CONTROL AGAINST HIS WILL. ACCORDING TO JTF-FA RECORDS, PRIVATE WEATHERMAN HAD ALLEGEDLY TOLD A FELLOW INMATE AT THE MARINE BRIG OF HIS DESIRE TO DEFECT TO THE VIET CONG SIDE.

6. THE INFORMATION REPORTED IN PARA SIX OF REF PERTAINING TO THE ALLEGED AMBUSH OF TWO AMERICAN SOLDIERS DURING THE 1968 TET OFFENSIVE IS INSUFFICIENT TO ESTABLISH A CORRELATION WITH ANY UNACCOUNTED FOR PERSONNEL. THE OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE IN PARAS SEVEN THROUGH NINE OF REF DOES NOT PERTAIN TO ANY UNACCOUNTED FOR PERSONNEL.

7. FOR CMC/MHP-10 AND CDRPERSCOM/TAPC-PED-P: FORWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

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