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SUBJ: JCRC RPT T91-286; HEARSAY OF FIVE LIVE AMERICANS
AND TEN AMERICAN GRAVES IN VIETNAM (U)

1. SOURCE/ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

- A. NAME: NGUYEN VAN THO (M)
- B. DPOB: 5 JULY 1949; HA NAM CITY, HA NAM NINH PROVINCE, VIETNAM
- C. OCCUPATION:
PRE-1975: ARVN INFANTRY 2ND LIEUTENANT;
COMPUTER PROGRAMMER
POST-1975: MANICURIST
- D. PRESENT LOCATION: SUAN PHLU REFUGEE TRANSIT CENTER, BANGKOK, THAILAND
- E. IDENTIFICATION DATA: V 52471
- F. EDUCATION: BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN JOURNALISM
- G. LANGUAGES: VIETNAMESE (NATIVE), ENGLISH (FAIR)
- H. RELIGION: BUDDHISM
- I. STATUS: ODF BENEFICIARY
- J. FINAL ADDRESS IN VIETNAM: 96/5 LE LAI STREET, DISTRICT 1, HO CHI MINH CITY (HCMC)
- K. FORWARDING ADDRESS IN THE U.S.: 6026 FAIRVIEW PLACE, FALLS CHURCH, VA. 22041
- L. SOURCE ARRIVED IN BANGKOK, THAILAND, ON 9 SEPT 1991
- M. INTERVIEW DATA: SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED AT SUAN PHLU REFUGEE TRANSIT CENTER, BANGKOK, THAILAND, ON 11 SEPT 1991 BY REYNALDO O. NUNEZA, SSG, USA.

2. (U) SUMMARY: SOURCE PROVIDED HEARSAY CONCERNING FIVE LIVE AMERICANS AND TEN AMERICAN GRAVES IN VIETNAM.

3. INFORMATION: SOURCE STATED THAT ON 20 AUG 91, HIS FRIEND, VU VAN BINH (VUX VAWN BINHS), TOLD SOURCE

TO MEMORIZE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO AN ALLEGED LIVING AMERICAN IN VIETNAM. SOURCE WROTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON A DIA QUESTIONNAIRE (ATTACHED) WHICH WAS PASSED TO JCRC INTERVIEWER:

NAME: ASRAMS LEWITHERET
STATE: XX
SERV: US/MC
1/DATE: 251165
CITY: VN/OW
ACFT: VEH-HGA
HANK: 05
PLANE NAME: CAMEL
CRASH DOWN ON 271167[REDACTED]
Nai Phony
+ CMC

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4. [REDACTED] NH, 55 YOA, RESIDING AT 5H TRAN QUOC TOAN BLOCK, 3 THANG 2 FOULEVARD, DISTRICT 10, HO CHI MINH CITY, TOLI SOURCE THAT TWO AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CRASHED AT THE SAME PLACE (NFI) ON 27 NOV 67. THE CREW OF THE P6A AIRCRAFT CONSISTED OF LT. COLONEL ASRAMS, GENERAL BROWN (NFI), AND AN UNIDENTIFIED CAPTAIN. THE CREW FROM THE OTHER AIRCRAFT CONSISTED OF THREE ADDITIONAL UNIDENTIFIED AMERICANS. BINH EXPLAINED THAT IT. COLONEL ASRAMS, THE CAPTAIN AND THE OTHER THREE AMERICANS ARE LIVING TOGETHER IN VIETNAM. BINH ALSO STATED THAT GENERAL BROWN IS DEAD. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, BINH DID NOT GIVE ANY MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AIRCRAFT CRASH, THE LOCATION OF THE FIVE LIVE AMERICANS OR THE LOCATION OF GENERAL BROWN'S REMAINS.

6. [REDACTED] BINH ALSO TOLD SOURCE THAT HE KNOWS THE LOCATION OF TEN AMERICAN GRAVES, BUT HE DID NOT REVEAL THIS LOCATION TO SOURCE. SOURCE STATED THAT IF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WANTED TO KNOW ANY MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGED FIVE AMERICANS OR THE TEN TOMBS, THEY COULD CONTACT BINH AT HIS HOME IN VIETNAM.
7. (U) COMMENTS:

- A. [REDACTED] SOURCE TOLD JCRC INTERVIEWER THAT "BINH IS IN THE SPECIAL POLICE AND HIS BOM NUMBER IS 32651". THE BOM NUMBER IS A PROBABLE REFERENCE TO BINH'S CDP RESETTLEMENT FILE NUMBER.

- B. [REDACTED] THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FIVE LIVE

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AMERICANS WAS PASSED TO STONY FEACH. THE DATA FORMAT AND CODES PROVIDED BY SOURCE REGARDING LT. COLONEL ASRAMS ARE NEARLY IDENTICAL TO THE FORMAT AND CODES USED IN DIA'S ROSTER OF MISSING U.S. PERSONNEL TITLED "U.S. PERSONNEL, SOUTHEAST ASIA (AND SELECTED FOREIGN NATIONALS) ALPHA AND CHRONOLOGICAL REPORTS," DATED APRIL 1991.

- C. (U) ATTACHMENT OF PARAGRAPH 3 WILL BE FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE COVER. DECL: OADR

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RUHQHQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J3//

RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//PW-MIA//

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RMKS/1. ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REF A INDICATES A CORRELATION TO REFNO 0927. THIS IS NOT A FINAL EVALUATION.
2. REFNO 0927: ON 25 NOVEMBER 1967, LIEUTENANT COLONEL LEWIS H. ABRAMS AND FIRST LIEUTENANT ROBERT E. HOLDEMAN WERE CREW MEMBERS

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ABOARD AN A-6A AIRCRAFT. THE AIRCRAFT, SERIAL NUMBER 15-2612, WAS ON A SINGLE AIRCRAFT NIGHT STRIKE MISSION WHEN CONTACT WAS LOST. ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSED FLIGHT PATH AND THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT THREAT, INDICATE THE AIRCRAFT WAS POSSIBLY DOWNED SHORTLY AFTER LANDFALL TO THE TARGET IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XH560950, APPROXIMATELY NINE KILOMETERS EAST OF VINH NINH, HAI PHONG PROVINCE, VIETNAM. SEARCH AND RECOVERY EFFORTS WERE INITIATED, BUT PROVED NEGATIVE. ON 6 APRIL 1988, THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT REPATRIATED A QUANTITY OF UNIDENTIFIABLE REMAINS ALONG WITH LTC ABRAMS'S BADLY MUTILATED IDENTIFICATION CARD. LTC ABRAMS AND LT HOLDEMAN ARE UNACCOUNTED FOR.

3. THE SOURCE PROVIDED LTC ABRAM'S NAME, RANK, BRANCH OF SERVICE, AIRCRAFT TYPE AND A CLOSE APPROXIMATION TO THE INCIDENT DATE. THE INFORMATION IS NEARLY IDENTICAL TO THE COLUMN HEADINGS, FORMAT AND DATA CODES USED IN DIA'S ROSTER OF MISSING U.S. PERSONS, TITLED - QUOTE ALPHA AND CHRONOLOGICAL REPORTS - UNQUOTE. HOWEVER, LTC ABRAMS HAD ONLY ONE CREWMEMBER, NOT TWO AS ALLEGED BY THE SOURCE. THE SOURCE'S HEARSAY INFORMATION INFERS THAT - QUOTE TWO AMERICAN AIRCRAFT CRASHED AT THE SAME PLACE ON 27 NOV 1967 - UNQUOTE. JCRC FILES INDICATE THE NEAREST CRASH TO

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LTC ABRAM'S CRASH SITE LOCATION IS 18 KILOMETERS TO THE EAST. THIS INCIDENT OCCURRED ON 19 NOV 1967. THE OTHER NAMES PROVIDED BY THE SOURCE DOES NOT RELATE TO AN UNACCOUNTED FOR INDIVIDUAL. THIS EVALUATION DOES NOT CORROBORATE SOURCE'S LIVE SIGHTING ALLEGATIONS.

4. FORMHP-10: THIS EVALUATION MAY BE RELEASED TO THE NOK OF LEWIS H. ABRAMS. A SANITIZED COPY OF REF A WILL BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY.//

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