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FROM: JCRC-LNB
TO: Commander, JCRCREF: RPT #HK86-025
16 April 1986SUBJ: Alleged Recovery of U.S. Remains and I. D. Card
In Gia Lai-KontumREF: A. HK86-023 (Report by same Source)
B. HK86-025 (Report by same Source)

Source:

- a. Name: **Nguyen Dang Hien**
- b. DOB: 2 Feb 57
- c. POB: Thuy Bieu (V) Huong Thuy (D) Thua Thien (P)
- d. Former position: Civil Servant
- e. Present location: Chimawan, Hong Kong
- f. Identification data: I. D. 10378; Boat LM 2134
- g. DOI: November 1983
- h. Map used: ND 48-8; Series 1501
- i. Date of interview: 12 Mar 86
- j. Name of interviewer: Mr. G. E. Bell, GS-13 DOD
- k. Other: Arrived Hong Kong 7 Oct 85

Source, a 29 YOA male VM refugee, provided information concerning his alleged observation of a U.S. identification card and a pack containing U.S. remains which were recovered by a PAVN soldier in Tan Canh (ZB0222) Gia Lai-Kontum.

Information:

Source stated that sometime during November 1983 while residing in Pleiku City, Gia Lai-Kontum Province, he saw a U.S. identification card in the possession of a PAVN soldier. Source stated that at the time he had gone to visit the brother-in-law of his aunt's brother-in-law. Source's aunt, Ton Nu Thi Hoa, resided at 211 Hai Ba Trung Street in Pleiku City. Source's aunt's brother-in-law, Dang Trieu, approx 28 YOA Pleiku resident, resided on Quang Trung Street (number not recalled) and worked as an artist but made additional income from dealing in scrap metal. Dang Trieu's brother-in-law was Vo Toan, a cadre at the Gia Lai-Kontum Cultural Center located at #5 Tran Hung Dao Street, Pleiku City.

Source went with Trieu to the Cultural Center where they met Vo Toan and the PAVN soldier who was a Pvt (NFI regarding identity) assigned to the Tan Canh area in Kontum. Source heard from Vo

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REFUGEE REPORT & PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

SOURCE DATA: NGUYEN DANG HICH, 29
REFUGEE REPORT INTERVIEW NUMBER & DATE: ~~1833-0-04~~ 16 APR 86
ANALYST: MSG D.W. Atherton
CROSS REFERENCE(S): None.

CATEGORY DATA: Casualty Data/Second Hand Account

FINDINGS: Review of information provided by Source reveals no correlation to data in JCRC files.

CORRELATE DATA: None.

BACKGROUND/COMMENTS: Of the ten REFNO cases within 15 kilometers of grid coordinates ZB0222, three involved blacks and one involved an individual with a spanish surname. Of these four individuals, one (REFNO 1737) was allegedly buried in Laos and one (REFNO 1485) escaped and was rescued. The lack of detail provided by Source precludes correlation to any of these four cases, nevertheless, a copy of this report will be placed in the following files for future reference: 1737; 1449; and 1833-0-04.

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