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In March 1983 ethnic Vietnamese refugee [redacted] was interviewed by U.S. Embassy personnel in [redacted]. During his interview he related having observed an individual, who he learned was a U.S. civilian and who was accompanied by a female interpreter, under detention by the Viet Cong (VC) in Thu Duc District, Bien Hoa Province, during early 1967. [redacted] was under detention at this same time at a facility designated C312. It was his understanding that the individual was a U.S. civilian who had entered an area of VC control searching for information regarding his brother who was an American MIA. [redacted] was unable to provide any details regarding the eventual disposition of this U.S. civilian.

The incident related by [redacted] pertains to the confirmed detention of U.S. civilian Donald Dawson, who entered an area of VC control accompanied by an interpreter, Collette Emberger, in search of information regarding his brother, 1st Lieutenant Daniel G. Dawson, USA. They were detained by the VC on 1 April 1965, and were subsequently released on 24 August 1965.

A copy of this report and evaluation will be maintained in the DIA data base for future reference.