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FROM: JCRC-LNB
TO: Commander, JCRCREF: RPT #M87-015
31 March 1987

SUBJ: Hearsay of an American Grave Site in [REDACTED]

Source:

- a. Name: Nguyen Nhu Giang (M)
- b. DPOB: 16 December 1951, Saigon
- c. Profession:
Pre -1975: Student, teacher
Post-1975: Automobile and motorcycle repair
- d. Present location: Building 16/2 Zone B, Pulau Bidong
Refugee Camp, Malaysia
- e. Identification data: MB 695
- f. Educational level: BS (mechanical engineering)
- g. Languages spoken: Vietnamese (native); English,
French (limited)
- h. Religion: Catholic
- i. Status: Refugee
- j. Date of information: October 1986
- k. Interview data: Source was interviewed at Pulau Bidong
Refugee Camp, Malaysia on 1 March 1987
by James M. Coyle, GS-12, DOD.
- l. Other: Source arrived in camp on 14 February 1987.
His final address in Vietnam was 453/127 Le Van
Si, Q. 3, HCMC. Source has a sister-in-law,
Nguyen Thi Lan Phuong, living at 7540 Van
Alden St., Reseda, CA.
- m. Maps used: Scale: 1:100,000, Series: L607, Sheet: 6737

Information: Source's aunt, Nguyen Thi De, is a resident of Thuan Dao (V), Phu My (D), Nghia Binh. During a visit by De to HCMC in October 1986, she told Source that some years ago, during the war (NFI), she had found a body near the point where the beach gives way to her garden (vic. CR 033771). The body was bloated and discolored, and was wearing a tattered fatigue uniform. De speculated that the man may have been fleeing from a battle that had been fought nearby a couple of

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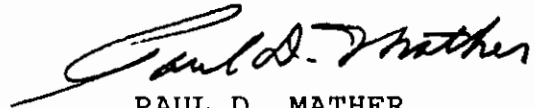
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days previously and had died of his wounds. De did not dare approach the body during the day for fear that she might be mistaken for a combatant. That night she returned to the place and buried the body. De said the body was that of an American, but did not give Source a detailed description. Source does not know on what she based her opinion that the body was American.



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REFUGEE REPORT & PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

SOURCE DATA: NGUYEN NHU GIANG
REFUGEE REPORT INTERVIEW NUMBER & DATE: M87-015 31 March 1987
ANALYST: SSGT J.A. Cupp, III
CROSS REFERENCE(S): RP85-049
CATEGORY DATA: Casualty and Grave Site/First Hand Account

FINDINGS: Analysis of information provided by Source reveals a probable correlation to REFNO 2057-0-01.

CORRELATE DATA: REFNO 2057: On 2 April 1968, Specialist Four Quinten E. Mulleavey was an assistant machine gunner with his platoon on a search and destroy mission. Specialist Mulleavey's squad was to set up an ambush in the vicinity of grid coordinates BR943909, approximately three kilometers west of Phu Ha, Nghia Binh (Formerly Binh Dinh) Province, Vietnam. At 0615 hours on 3 April 1968, the squad was ordered to rejoin the platoon. Specialist Mulleavey fell in at the rear of the file and commenced the walk back to the platoon site. Approximately 120 meters later it was noticed that he was missing. The area was searched extensively for several days by his company. Utilizing special tracking teams and dogs, they were able to follow Specialist Mulleavey's trail to the vicinity of grid coordinates BR 960902. At this point, he left the jungle and entered a major hard packed road. No further sign of Specialist Mulleavey was discovered. Specialist Mulleavey is carried in the presumptive status of dead, body not recovered.

BACKGROUND/COMMENTS: Specialist Mulleavey had expressed a desire to go to the beach shortly before his disappearance. The results of the search efforts indicated he had in fact headed for the ocean. Other reporting previously correlated to Specialist Mulleavey indicates that he reached the beach, was captured and executed by local communist forces. The circumstances of loss of the other two unresolved incidents in this area preclude correlation to Source's account.

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