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15. SUMMARY:		<small>(Leave Blank)</small>
<p>(C) This report contains limited information concerning the sighting of PWs on 15 Jun 69, in BINH LONG Province, RVN, to include circumstances of sighting, description of PWs, clothing worn by PWs, physical condition, personal information, and resemblances to known US PWs. THIS IS A IS A BRIGHT LIGHT REPORT, MACV FOR JPRC.</p>		
<p>1. (C) Background Information:</p> <p>a. Name: NGUYEN VAN DUOC (NGUYEENX, VEAN DUOWCV), CMIC 008-72</p> <p>b. Rank: None (VC)</p> <p>c. Position and Unit of Assignment: Soldier and Srd Ldr; Recon Unit, HON QUAN District Unit, BINH LONG Province, RVN.</p> <p>d. DPOB: 1949; PHU MY Village, BEN TRANH District, MY THO Province, RVN</p>		
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e. Parents' Names: Father, NGUYEN VAN THIEU (NGUYEENX, VEAN THIEUL), deceased; Mother, DINH THI DIEU (DINH, THIV DIEEUV), deceased

f. Circumstances of Capture. On 24 Jul 71, while Source was on his way to VAN HIEN Hamlet, BU COM Village, AN LOC District, BINH LONG Province, to pick up supplies and foodstuffs, he was captured by the Regional Forces of BU COM Village. At the time of his capture he had no documents or weapons in his possession. Source was captured alone.

g. Significant Activities. From 1952 to 1953, Source tended buffalo with his grandfather in PHU MY Village, BEN TRAN District, MY THO Province, RVN. From 1953 to 1963, Source remained at home with his family. From 1963 to Feb 68, Source worked at the QUANG LOI Rubber Plantation in TRA THANH Village, AN LOC District, BINH LONG Province, RVN. In Feb 68, Source joined the VC in TRA THANH Village, AN LOC District, BINH LONG Province, RVN, and was assigned to a cell of the guerrilla forces of the TRA THANH (VC) Village Unit. He received one week of training with the K-44 carbine. Source remained with this unit until Dec 68, when he was sent to an Armed Force Unit (NFI), located in HON QUAN District. Their mission was to provide security for HON QUAN District. Source remained with this unit until May 69, when he was sent to the QUANG LOI Rubber Plantation, BINH LONG Province, to receive reconnaissance training for the HON QUAN District Unit. This training lasted 20 days and consisted primarily of moving techniques. After training was over, Source returned to the HON QUAN District Unit for a one week rest period. After the rest period, he was assigned to a recon unit consisting of 12 men and located in AN LOC District, BINH LONG Province, RVN. Source remained with this unit until 24 Jul 71, when he was captured by the Regional Forces of BU COM Village, AN LOC District, BINH LONG Province, RVN.

h. Additional References. CMIC PW/Rallier Exploitation Guide; US PW Photo Album, MACV JPRC, dtd 12 Sep 71; MACV PIVBIA, dtd 21 Dec 71; Map: LOC NINH, VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, AMS Series L7014, Sheet 6322 IV, Edition 1, dtd 1966, Scale 1:50,000.

2. (C) US PW Sighting in BINH LONG Province, RVN. The following is in response to SICR D-7CX-49018 (Prisoner of War Intelligence):

a. Circumstances of Sighting. On 15 Jun 69, Source and three others from his unit were returning from AN LOC Village with rice when they passed five US PWs and seven guards traveling in the opposite direction (location approximately from XU8213 to XU8415). These two groups passed within three meters and exchanged greetings. The five Americans were not bound. The seven guards were armed with AK-47s. The group walked in single file with two guards in front, then two prisoners, another guard, two more prisoners, another guard, one prisoner and the final three guards. There was approximately one meter between each man in the column. Source did not talk to the guards or the PWs. The guards were a mixture of both NVA and VC and wore no special uniform. Source was able to observe these PWs for approximately two to three minutes as they approached and passed him. Source was only able to relate the following information concerning the guards and prisoners.

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b. Description of PWs:

(1) 1st PW:

(a) Name: Unknown

(b) Rank and Branch of Service: Unknown; Army

(c) Nationality: US

(d) Physical Description:

1 Height: 1.90m (Interrogator's Note: Interrogator is 1.79m tall. Source estimated the PW as being 0.15m taller.)

2 Weight: 90kg (Interrogator's Note: Interrogator weighs 80kg. Source estimated the interrogator's weight to be 85kg.)

3 Color of Hair and Eyes: Light brown; Unknown

4 Race: Caucasian

5 Complexion: Light

6 Hair: Four to five inches long and straight, with large sideburns. PW also had a bushy mustache which was level with his lips.

7 Nose: Long, straight and pointed

8 Scars, Tattoos, Birthmarks: No distinguishing marks were noticeable.

9 Build: Heavy

10 Age: 29 to 30 years (Interrogator's Note: Interrogator is 23 years old; Source estimated age at 26.)

11 Glasses Worn: None

12 Rings/Watches Worn: Wore a watch (NFI)

(2) Other four PWs: Source could not remember anything about these PWs except that two of the PWs were Caucasian and the other two were Negro (NFI).

(3) Clothing Worn by PWs: All five of the PWs wore green jungle fatigues. The sleeves were rolled down and the pants unbloused on the 1st PW. Source did not notice any more on the other four PWs. The 1st PW had a US Army tag above left chest pocket. The 1st PW had a patch on his left shoulder but Source could not identify it. Source noticed no other patches or any rank insignia on the PWs collar or sleeves. The 1st PW wore a green T-shirt; but was not wearing a hat.

(4) Physical Condition. None of the five PWs appeared to be sick or injured and seemed to be in good health.

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(5) Personal Information: None

(6) Capture Data. Source was unable to provide any capture data on any of the five PWs.

c. Evacuation Procedures. Source knew nothing concerning the evacuation procedure used.

d. Photo Identification. Source was shown the US PW Photo Album, MACV JPRC, dtd 12 Sep 71, but was unable to make any positive identifications. He tentatively identified No 0267, SHARK, EARL E. (Listed as MIA) as PW No 1.

e. Biographical Correlation. A Biographical Correlation conducted with a JPRC representative on 3 Mar 72, yielded no positive results.

(C) CMIC COMMENTS: Source was administered the Cross-Cultural IQ Test and scored Illiterate. He was cooperative throughout the interrogation but was unable to answer questions consistently. Throughout the entire interrogation Source was constantly vague and confused in answering questions. Source admitted that he had lied twice to the Interrogator.

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