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SECTION 01 OF 02 LIAISON BANGKOK 21187

CITE: 3302 MAY 87

EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T87-206, LIMITED HEARSAY OF
 - AN AMERICAN LIVING IN SONG BE (P), 1985
 1. SOURCE/ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

- A. NAME: SOURCE
- B. DPOB: SD 32; SOURCE DATA
- C. OCCUPATION:
 - PRE -1975: REGIONAL FORCES OFFICER
 - POST-1975: RE-EDUCATION CAMP INMATE, 75-81;
 - VENDOR 81-87
- D. PRESENT LOCATION: C/O NAME
 - DATA SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS SD
- E. IDENTIFICATION DATA: SD
- F. EDUCATION: 3/12
- G. LANGUAGES: VIETNAMESE (NATIVE)
- H. RELIGION: CATHOLIC
- I. STATUS: ODP BENEFICIARY
- J. FINAL ADDRESS/POC IN VIETNAM:

SOURCE DATA

- K. DATE OF ARRIVAL IN 1ST ASYLUM:
 30 APR 87

- L. INTERVIEW DATA: SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED
 AT SOURCE DATA BANGKOK, THAILAND
 ON 7 MAY 87 BY JAMES M. COYLE, GS-12, DOD.

M. MAPS USED: SCALE: 1:100,000
SERIES L607 SHEET(S) 6331

2. SUMMARY: SOURCE PROVIDED LIMITED HEARSAY INFORMATION ABOUT AN AMERICAN LIVING FREELY IN SONG BE PROVINCE, SUPPORTING HIMSELF BY BEGGING. END SUMMARY.

3. INFORMATION: SOME TIME IN 1985 A CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE OF SOURCE, WHOSE NAME SOURCE CANNOT REMEMBER, TOLD SOURCE THE FOLLOWING STORY. THE MAN, WHO IS A RESIDENT OF BINH CO (BINHF COW) HAMLET, BINH MY (BINHF MYX) VILLAGE, PHU GIAO (PHU GIAOS) DISTRICT OF SONG BE PROVINCE (NOTE: BINH CO APPEARS ON NONE OF THE MAPS AVAILABLE TO JCRC-LNB; THE CENTER OF XA BINH MY IS LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF YT 0037. SOURCE SAID THE HAMLET WAS LOCATED IN "WAR ZONE D, NEAR THE PHU GIAO ARVN BASE"), SAID THAT EARLIER IN THE YEAR HE HAD MET A MONTAGNARD WOODCUTTER WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN AN AMERICAN LIVING IN THE NEARBY FOREST. THE MAN WAS TALL AND THIN, AND WORE RAGGED VIETNAMESE CLOTHING. THE WOODCUTTER SAID THE MAN LOOKED AS IF HE HAD JUST ESCAPED OR BEEN RELEASED FROM PRISON. HE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN A SOVIET OR EUROPEAN NATIONAL BECAUSE OF HIS APPEARANCE: THE SOVIETS AND EUROPEANS IN VIETNAM ARE BETTER CLOTHED AND FED THAN THIS MAN SEEMED. THE "AMERICAN" WAS OBTAINING FOOD BY BEGGING HELP FROM THE LOCALS OR BY OCCASIONAL BARTER.

4. SOURCE HAS NO FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THIS ALLEGED SIGHTING. NEITHER SOURCE NOR HIS INFORMANT EVER SAW THE PURPORTED AMERICAN, AND SOURCE HAS NOT SEEN HIS INFORMANT SINCE THIS 1985 OCCASION.

5. SOURCE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN ^{SOURCE DATA} NEAR HANOI. (THANH TRI DISTRICT IS LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF HANOI, IN THE VICINITY OF WJ 9322. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY ^{DATA} VILLAGE IN THIS AREA.). IN 1950 HE JOINED A FRENCH-ORGANIZED MILITARY ORGANIZATION CALLED THE BAO CHINH DOAN BAC VIET (BAOR CHINHS DDOANF), WHICH SOURCE DESCRIBED AS THE 1950 EQUIVALENT OF THE ARVN RF. HE REMAINED IN THIS GROUP, RISING TO THE RANK OF SMAJ (THUONG SI NHAT), UNTIL HIS FAMILY MOVED SOUTH IN 1954. FROM 1954 TO 1964 HE SERVED WITH THE BIEN HOA CIVIL GUARD (BAOR AN) /RF, AND FROM 1964 TO 1975 AT THE JOINT GENERAL STAF HQ IN SAIGON. HE WAS COMMISSIONED IN 1961 (^{SD}), PROMOTED TO 1LT IN 1967, CPT IN 1969, AND MAJ IN 1972.

6. ON 1 MAY 75 HE REPORTED TO COMMUNIST AUTHORITIES, WHO ORDERED HIM TO REMAIN AT HOME.

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SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T87-206, LIMITED HEARSAY OF
 IN EARLY JUNE HE WAS ARRESTED AND SENT TO CAT
 LAI (XS 9589) WHERE HE WAS HELD UNTIL AUGUST
 1976, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS SENT TO NORTHERN VIETNAM,
 WHERE HE WAS PLACED IN THE LT 1 SYSTEM. HIS ORIGINAL
 CAMP WAS T6. IN AUGUST 1977 HE WAS MOVED TO T4,
 IN AUGUST 1978 TO T5, AND IN NOVEMBER 1978 TO
 THE DOAN 776 HQ NEAR YEN BAI. IN MAY 1979,
 HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO CP #3, NGHE TINH, WHERE HE
 REMAINED UNTIL HIS RELEASE ON 30 APR 81. AFTER
 HIS RELEASE FROM "RE-EDUCATION" HE RETURNED
 TO HIS HOME IN BIEN HOA, WHERE HE AND HIS FAMILY
 EKED OUT A MARGINAL LIVING, SUPPLEMENTED BY OVER-
 SEAS REMITTANCES, UNTIL HIS DEPARTURE UNDER THE ODP.

7. SOURCE ALSO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN IMPRISONED
 FOR POLITICAL OFFENSES BETWEEN 11 MAR 86 AND
 NOVEMBER 86 AT "B-5 BIEN HOA." HIS CRIME WAS TO
 BE OVERHEARD CURSING THE REGIME (CHWOIR NOS).
 A NUMBER OF OTHERS WERE ARRESTED WITH SOURCE,
 SOME OF WHOM REMAINED IN B-5 AT THE TIME OF
 SOURCE'S RELEASE.

8. COMMENT: SOURCE PRESENTED HIS INFORMATION
 IN A FORTHRIGHT AND EMPHATIC MANNER, TAKING CARE TO
 DISTINGUISH FIRSTHAND INFORMATION FROM THAT WHICH
 HE HAD HEARD ELSEWHERE. HE CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN

A "RIGHT-WINGER" (PHE PHAIR) SINCE 1945, AND OFFERED, SHOULD THE US EVER RETURN TO FIGHT IN VIETNAM, TO ACCOMPANY US FORCES. SOURCE OFFERED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF POW/MIA INTEREST WHICH WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.

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