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Vung Tau

FROM: JCRC-LNB
TO: Commander, JCRC

REF: RPT #I85-023
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SUBJ: Discovery of Remains and Personal Effects
in Song Be (P)

Source:

- a. Name: Nguyen Quang Vy
- b. DOB: 4 August 1946
- c. POB: Thai Binh, NVN
- d. Former position: ARVN MSG, Service number 66/100757
- e. Present location: Bk6, Zone 1, Galang IA, Galang Refugee Camp, Indonesia
- f. Identification data: PG 048012
- g. DOI: October 1982
- h. Map used: 1:100,000, Series L607, Sheets 6232 and 6332
- i. Date of interview: 11 April 1985
- j. Name of interviewer: Thomas R. McKay, CW2, USA
- k. Other: Source has brothers, Nguyen Tuong Phuong and Nguyen Tuong Lan who live at 833 N. Lemon St, Orange, CA 92667. His final address in Vietnam was 106/5 Vo Thi Sau St, District 1, HCMC.

Source provides firsthand information of the discovery of a helicopter with human remains and personal effects which were discovered in Song Be (P).

Information:

The following information was related by Source to interviewer as fact. In October 1982, while incarcerated in the Dong Hoa Re-education Camp in Song Be (P) (vicinity XT 641763), Source was working in a labor group comprised of approximately 40 inmates on Agri-block 10, vicinity XT 6378, when the labor party was tilling the earth and discovered the forward portion of a helicopter in a bomb crater adjacent to the agri-block. No cadre or guard was present at the time, the closest being 100M away. The group continued to dig into the buried wreckage and discovered a flight helmet, some human remains including a skull, a gold wedding band-looking finger ring and insignia which appeared to be a medal (see sketch). The original

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digger/finder, inmate Nguyen Van Giau, now of Nga Tu Ben Dinh, Nguyen An Ninh St, Vung Tau Town, kept the ring and insignia, while the group reburied the remaining items in the same hole where they were discovered.

The ring and insignia were taken back to camp at the end of the day, and Giau later contacted a camp cadre named Hue (full name unknown) and commissioned him to take the ring and sell it for him. The ring was possibly 18K yellow gold and was plain. Whether or not it was engraved on the inside was unknown. Hue returned after selling the ring outside the camp and paid Giau 300-400 dong and gave him a guitar. Source does not know what happened to the insignia.

Source was held in the Dong Hoa Re-education Camp from July 1981-September 83 for the offense of attempting to escape from Vietnam. Source estimated the camp was established in 1980. It held boat escapees, political and social criminals, organized into four areas, A, B, C and D.

To contact Mr. Giau, Source recommended going to his father's house at 32/3 Ngo An Ninh St, HCMC and contact his sister, Tuyet who knows Giau's friend, Vu Hoa of 47/3 or 2 Ngo An Ninh St.

We note a slight similarity of Source's sketch of the "medal" to the unit crest of the 164 Avn Gp.



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