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XXXXX SOURCE DATA SHEET XXXXX

Source Name: *Source*

Case No: 40436

Aka: *Source*Confidential: *---*

Boat Number:

Contacted:

Cntry Located: TH

State/City:

Cntry Reported: LA

Type Sighting: GRV-HSY (DOGTAG)

1st Sighting UTM: XD090270

LAT: *added*

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Subsources 1:

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1: 890613 JCRC L 189-222 RPT

2: 900321 JCRC L T90-135 MSG

3: 900321 JCRC L DTG 211030Z

4: *900327 JCRC L T90-135 End*

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Current Action:

Analyst: *AW*

Remarks: RMS+DT IN MUANG CHAN

Date Received: 900611

Date of Info:

Source DOB:

Address: *Source DATA*

Origin Code: B

Category:

Polygraph Category:

Polygraph Results:

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JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER

LIAISON OFFICE  
AMERICAN EMBASSY  
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96346-0001

17 MAY 1990

*40436*

27 March 1990

FROM: JCRC-LNO  
TO: Commander, JCRC

SUBJ: LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Ref: JCRC RPT T90-135, JCRC LIAISON 211030Z MAR 90

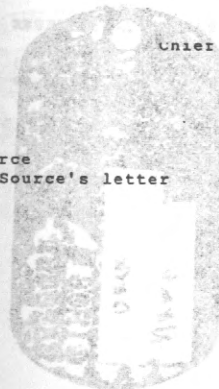
Attached for your information and analysis are the dog tag and bone fragments reported at ref. A follow-up letter from the source of ref is also attached, along with a translation.

*Name*

Chief, Liaison Division

Atch:

1. Dog tag
2. Bone fragments
3. Letter from Source
4. Translation of Source's letter

cy to:  
DIA/PW-MIA

(ENGLISH TRANSLATION)

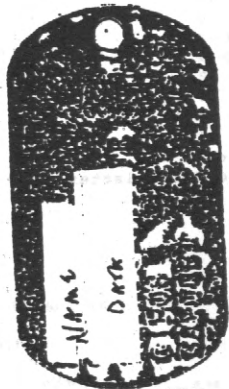
DEAR SIR:

I <sup>name</sup> ~~name~~ <sup>name</sup> ~~name~~ WISH TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE REMAINS OF BAPTIST, WHICH YOU TOOK FOR FORENSIC EXAMINATION. WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS? THE OWNER, THE ONE WHO RECOVERED THE REMAINS, IS DEMANDING RESULTS FROM ME. PLEASE LET ME KNOW THE STATUS NOT LATER THAN NOON ON 19 MARCH 1990. WHATEVER THE RESULTS (OF THE EXAMINATION), THE OWNER WANTS THE ITEMS BACK. I HOPE YOU WILL EXTEND ME YOUR COOPERATION. IF I AM UNABLE TO RETURN THE ITEMS, I AM SURE TO HAVE A LOT OF TROUBLE OVER IT IN THE FUTURE, BECAUSE THE WORD IS THAT ANYONE WHO GIVES THE US GOVERNMENT FACTUAL EVIDENCE WILL BE REWARDED GENEROUSLY.

THIS IS THE REASON THAT THE LAO ARE SCRAMBLING TO FIND AMERICAN REMAINS OR PRISONERS OF WAR.

IN CLOSING, I HAVE NOTHING MORE TO REPORT, BUT WAIT TO MEET YOU ON MONDAY, 19 MARCH 1990.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

(SIGNED) : *Somset*  
14/3/90

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 AUTHORITY: 48 CFR-1.104  
 DATE: 08/20/2014

6 DEC 1990

JOINT CASUALTY  
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ANALYSIS & STUDIES

## REFUGEE REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

REFUGEE REPORT NUMBER & DATE: 5528  
40476 T89-222, 13 June 1989

ANALYST: A-J

CROSS REFERENCE(S): None

CATEGORY DATA: Identification Media Data/Firsthand Account

FINDINGS: Initial analysis of the information provided by this source reveals no correlation to data in JCRC files. This is not a final evaluation.

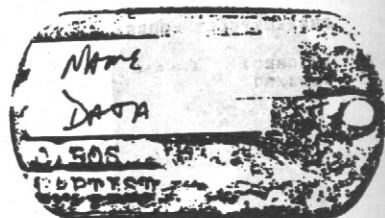
CORRELATE DATA: None

BACKGROUND COMMENTS: The identification media data provided does not correlate with any unaccounted for individual.

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THIS EVALUATION IS UNCLASSIFIED WHEN SEPARATED FROM BASIC REPORT

DISPOSITION: JCRC-LNO  
DIA/PW-MIA





## JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER

LIAISON OFFICE  
AMERICAN EMBASSY  
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96346-0001

FROM: JCRC-LNO  
TO: Commander, JCRC

JCRC RPT T89-222  
13 June 1989

SUBJ: DOG TAG INFORMATION FROM LAO LIVING IN THAILAND

## 1. Source/Administrative Data:

- a. Name: *Source*
  - b. Present Location: Unknown address; postmark from Ubon Province.
  - c. Interview data: Source was not interviewed. Letter was translated by *JCRC* USAF.
2. Information: On 7 May 89, JCRC-LNO received a short letter from Source which forwarded a photocopy of a dog tag. The dog tag reads:

*Name* *Data* A, USMC, Catholic

3. Source's letter simply states that if the tag is of interest, JCRC can come to see him to get it.

## Attachment:

Source's letter (in Thai) w/English translation

ENVELOPE  
CDSN = LGX795 MCN = 90080/17329 TOR = 900801044  
RTTCZYUW RUEKJCS7549 0801043- RUEALGX.

ZNY  
HEADER  
R 211043Z MAR 90  
FM JOINT STAFF WASHINGTON DC  
INFO RUEALGX/SAFE  
R 211030Z MAR 90

FM JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH  
TO RUHQBPA/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI  
INFO RUEKJCS/JCS WASHDC//OCJCS-PW-MIA/J5//  
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC//OASD-ISA/PW-MIA//  
RUHQBPA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J3//  
RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//PW-MIA//  
RUEADNW/WHITEHOUSE WASHDC//NSC//  
RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC//EAP-VLC//

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LIAISON BANGKOK 17549

0227 MAR 90

BODY  
SUBJ: JCRC RPT T90-135; DOG TAG INFORMATION AND  
PARTIAL REMAINS

REF: JCRC RPT T89-222, 13 JUN 89

1. SOURCE/ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:
  - A. NAME: *Source*
  - B. ID DATA: NONE
  - C. DPOB: UNK: KHEMMARAT, THAILAND *LAO THAI*
  - D. ADDRESS: *Source Data*
  - E. PROFESSION: FARMER
  - F. LANGUAGES: NORTHEAST THAI
  - G. STATUS: *SD*
  - H. MAP(S) USED: SHEET JOG NE48-15, 16
  - I. DATE OF INFORMATION: JAN 90
  - J. INTERVIEW DATA: SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY BANGKOK ON 0 FEB 90 BY *Name*

2. SUMMARY: IN JANUARY 1990 SOURCE TRAVELLED TO EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE WHERE HE ACQUIRED A DOG TAG BEARING THE NAME *Name*, AND BONE FRAGMENTS ALLEGED TO BELONG TO *Name*. SOURCE CANNOT GIVE A COHERENT ACCOUNT OF THE ACQUISITION, NOR CAN HE SPECIFY THE SITE WHERE THE REMAINS WERE FOUND.

3. INFORMATION: SOURCE CLAIMS THAT IN EARLY JANUARY 1990 HE AND A PARTNER NAMED *Name*

TRAVELLED TO EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE SEEKING  
SCRAP ALUMINUM FOR RESALE IN THAILAND. SOURCE AND  
NAME ALLOWED ROUTE NINE THROUGH MUANG PHIN  
(48QXD0927) AND SEPONE (48QXD3344) TO MUANG CHAN  
(U/L). AT MUANG CHAN THEY MET A THIRD MAN NAMED NAME  
( ) GAVE THE TWO MEN A SMALL QUANTITY OF  
BONE FRAGMENTS AND A BATTERED DOG TAG BEARING THE  
FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- NAME  
- DATA

NAME TOLD SOURCE THAT HE PERSONALLY RECOVERED THE  
REMAINS WITH THE DOG TAG AMONG THEM NEAR THE LAO-  
VIET BORDER AT A NAME REFERRED TO AS THE LAM SON  
BATTLEFIELD (U/L). SOURCE KNOWS NOTHING ELSE THAT  
MIGHT SERVE TO LOCATE THE SITE OR TO ELABORATE THE  
CIRCUMSTANCES OF DISCOVERY. NAME CHARGED THE TWO TO  
NEGOTIATE TURN OVER OF THE REMAINS AND DOG TAG IN  
EXCHANGE FOR WHATEVER REWARD WAS AVAILABLE. AT THE  
FINAL INTERVIEW SESSION, SOURCE ACKNOWLEDGED RO'S  
EXPLANATION OF U.S. POLICY REGARDING POW/MIA, AND  
AGREED TO SURRENDER THE ITEMS WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

4. COMMENT: THE 1) FEB 90 INTERVIEW  
CULMINATED SEVERAL VISITS TO THE EMBASSY BY SOURCE  
AND NAME, ANOTHER THAI CIVILIAN.  
INITIALLY SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE  
RECOVERY OF THE REMAINS HIMSELF- UNDER CLOSE  
QUESTIONING, HOWEVER, HE WAS UNABLE TO SUPPLY  
CREDIBLE DETAIL ABOUT TRAVEL TO THE SITE, THE SITE  
ITSELF, OR ABOUT OTHER PERSONS INVOLVED IN THE  
RECOVERY. AT LENGTH, SOURCE ADMITTED THAT HE HAD  
OBTAINED THE REMAINS FROM THE MAN NOTED ABOVE AS  
NAME BUT SOURCE DECLINED TO PROVIDE FURTHER  
IDENTIFYING DATA ABOUT NAME WHILE THE DOG TAG  
APPARENTLY CORRELATES TO REFNO 1561-0-02; SOURCE AND  
HIS COMPANIONS LACK CREDIBILITY.

5. ) THE DOG TAG, BONE FRAGMENTS, SOURCE'S  
LETTER AND ENGLISH TRANSLATION WILL BE FORWARDED TO  
HQ JCRC UNDER SEPARATE COVER.

ADMIN  
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JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER  
LIAISON OFFICE  
AMERICAN EMBASSY



FROM: JCRC-LNO  
TO: Commander, JCRC  
SUBJ: DOG TAG INFORMATION FROM LAO LIVING IN THAILAND

Source  
JCRC RPT T89-222  
13 June 1989

1. Source/Administrative Data:
- Name: Source
  - Present Location: Unknown address; postmark from Ubon Province.
  - Interview data: Source was not interviewed. Letter was translated by JCRC USAF.
2. Information: On 7 May 89, JCRC-LNO received a short letter from Source which forwarded a photocopy of a dog tag. The dog tag reads:
- NAME, USMC, Catholic
3. Source's letter simply states that if the tag is of interest, JCRC can come to see him to get it.
- JCRC

Attachment:

Source's letter (in Thai) w/English translation

4 May 1989

Dear Sir,

How is your work going? The name enclosed, is it on your list? Do you want it? Please come to see me. If you don't come, please write to me because I want to know if good or not.

Xerox of Dog Tag:

Name

USMC, Catholic

Signed: *Sweet*

4.11.89

*Data*

Dear Sir,

How is going your work?  
 is it existed about two things?  
 How about the still alive?  
 Do you want them, please come to see me.  
 If you don't come, please write to me  
 soon, because I want to know this  
 could work out?



MSGNO 244 (PCXX) \*11/23/87\* \*11:04:28.6.8\*  
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 INFO RUEALGX/SAFE  
 R 201416Z NOV 87  
 FM DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW//  
 TO CIA WASHINGTON DC//DDO/PCS/INT-RR//  
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 EZ1:

E22:

S/NF-1546/VO-PW

SUBJ: VO-PW SDR'S

1. THE FOLLOWING SDR'S TASKED TO CIA CAN BE CANCELLED:

S-VOP-05017  
 S-VOP-05020  
 S-VOP-05028  
 S-VOP-05003  
 S-VOP-05004  
 S-VOP-05008  
 S-VOP-05011  
 S-VOP-05033

2. VO-PW REVIEW OF SDR'S TASKED TO CIA OVER THE PAST YEAR  
 CONTINUES.

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 INFO RUEADWD/OCSA WASHINGTON DC  
 RUENAAA/CNO WASHINGTON DC  
 RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC  
 RUERAAA/ANMCC FT RITCHIE MD  
 RUEALGX/SAFE  
 R 171800Z MAR 87  
 FM CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI  
 TO RUEHBK/JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH  
 INFO RUHQHQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J36//  
 RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHINGTON DC//OASD-ISA/PW-MIA//  
 RUEADWW/WHITE HOUSE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASH DC  
 RUEKJCS/JCS WASHINGTON DC//OCJCS-PW-MIA/J5//  
 RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW//  
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E22:

SUBJ: EVALUATION OF RPT T86-446

NSC FOR MR. CHILDRESS

A. JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH 240721Z OCT 86

1. ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY *Smace* SOURCE OF

REF A, REVEALS NO CORRELATION TO DATA IN JCRC FILES.

2. THIS IS A PRELIMINARY ANALYTICAL POSITION AND NOT A FINAL  
 EVALUATION. EVAL - *AN*

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INITIAL ANALYSIS DATA

ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS DATA

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NAME	ST DATE	SV	R	RK	COORDINATES	DIST FM	ENTRY ACFT	JCRC	LTIME	HT	WT	HR	EY	COMMENTS
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	711126	F	C	02	162000N1045800E	150.5	B166 LA	F4D	1781	0300	69	160	BR	BR US

TOTAL RECORDS= 2

TOTAL RECORDS REVIEWED= 2

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 ZNY

R 140536Z MAR 87

FM JCS-WASHINGTON DC  
 INFO RUEADWD/OCSA WASHINGTON DC  
 RUENAAA/CNO WASHINGTON DC  
 RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC  
 RUERAAA/ANMCC FT RITCHIE MD  
 RUEALGX/SAFE

R 131830Z MAR 87

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 <> TO <><>RUEHBK/JCRC<><> LIAISON BANGKOK TH  
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 RUEADWW/WHITE HOUSE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASH DC  
 RUEKJCS/JCS WASHINGTON DC//OCJCS-PW-MIA/J5//  
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 BT  
 F71.

EZ2:

SUBJ: EVALUATION OF RPT T86-472  
 NSC FOR MR. CHILDRESS

<> A. <><>JCRC<><> LIAISON BANGKOK TH 210841Z NOV 86  
 1. ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED Source SOURCE OF  
 <> REF A. REVEALS NO CORRELATION TO DATA IN <><>JCRC<><> FILES.  
 2. THIS IS A PRELIMINARY ANALYTICAL POSITION AND NOT A FINAL  
 EVALUATION. EVAL - AW

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JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTER  
LIAISON OFFICE  
AMERICAN EMBASSY  
APO SAN FRANCISCO 96346

FROM: JCRC-LNB

11 February 1987

SUBJ: Letters from *Soull*

TO: Commander, JCRC

1. Please refer to our message, DTG 300714Z JAN 87, JCRC RPT T86-472C.
2. Enclosed for your information and analysis are subject letters reported in cited Report.

Atch:  
2 letters and one envelope

Copy to:  
DIA/VO-PW, w/atc (originals)

Name

MSGNO 603 (PCXX) \*01/30/87\* \*09:15:17.5.9\*  
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ZNY  
P 300717Z JAN 87  
FM JCS WASHINGTON DC  
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RUERAAA/ANMCC FT RITCHIE MD  
RUEAMCC/CMC CC WASHINGTON DC  
RUEALGX/SAFE  
P 300714Z JAN 87  
FM JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH  
TO RUHQBP/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI PRIORITY  
INFO RUHQQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J2/J3/J36// PRIORITY  
RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW// PRIORITY  
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RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC//OASD-ISA/PW-MIA// PRIORITY  
RUEADWW/WHITEHOUSE WASHDC//NSC/MR CHILDRESS// PRIORITY  
RUMJFS/AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE  
RUMJUD/AMCONSUL UDORN

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EZ1:

LIAISON BANGKOK 04867

CITE:

3066 JAN 87

EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-472B, FOLLOW-UP ON CLAIM  
OF POW SIGNATURE

REF:

- A. JCRC BKK 180913Z DEC 86 (NOTAL)
- B. DIA/VO-PW 161330Z DEC 86 (NOTAL)
- C. JCRC BKK 151010Z DEC 86 (T86-472A)
- D. DIA/VO-PW 122115Z DEC 86 (NOTAL)

1. ON 28 JAN 87, JCRC-LNB RECEIVED THE  
FOLLOWING LETTER (IN LAO) FROM SOURCE *Soull*  
QUOTE

12 JANUARY

*Teel*  
I RECEIVED YOUR LETTER. AS FOR SENDING YOU THE  
SIGNATURE, I'VE TRIED MY BEST. MY DAILY LIFE IS  
VERY DIFFICULT. MY FRIENDS ARE ALWAYS COMPLAINING,  
AND I HAVE TO TRY TO HIDE FROM THEM BECAUSE I HAVE  
NOT BEEN ABLE TO GIVE THEM ANYTHING. ARE YOU  
GOING TO HELP ME? I'M LIVING UNDER THE MOST  
DIFFICULT CONDITIONS. I HAVE GIVEN YOU MY ONE  
HUNDRED PERCENT ALREADY, BUT YOU HAVEN'T DONE ANY-  
THING. LIKE THE BODY I BROUGHT BEFORE, I DIDN'T  
SEE ANYTHING FROM THAT AT ALL.

RESPECTFULLY,

*Soull*

END QUOTE

2. ENCLOSED WITH THE LETTER WAS ANOTHER SHEET, ALSO WRITTEN IN LAO, WITH NO SALUTATION, NO SIGNATURE. IT READS, QUOTE: PLEASE FORGIVE ME. I WOULD LIKE YOUR OPINION ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT REWARDS. I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT MY TRIP TO SEE YOU RESULTED IN ANYTHING. BUT ABOUT THAT SIGNATURE, I HAVE IT IN MY FIST ALREADY. BUT I'M NOT SENDING IT TO YOU BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T GIVE ME ANYTHING AT ALL. I'VE BEEN WORKING EVERY DAY FOR YOU. DON'T YOU HAVE ANY COMPASSION FOR ME? OR IS IT THAT YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME? THE PATHET LAO HAVE HIRED SOMEONE TO FIND ME FOR 20 THOUSAND BART. I'M REALLY IN A MOST DIFFICULT SITUATION. I WANT YOU TO THINK OF ME. AND I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT REWARDS. IS THERE OR ISN'T THERE? I HAVE MOVED TO HOUSE NUMBER 40

END QUOTE

3. COMMENT: SOURCE'S LETTERS WILL BE FORWARDED TO DIA/VO-PW, WITH A COPY TO HQ JCRC.

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43 (PCXX) \*01/05/87\* \*06:08:20.7.1\*

ZCZC 11:07:26Z (PC)

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P 051045Z JAN 87

FM JCS WASHINGTON DC

INFO RUEADWD/OCSA WASHINGTON DC

RUENAAA/CNO WASHINGTON DC

RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC

RUERAAA/AMCC FT RITCHIE MD

RUEALGX/SAFE

P 051039Z JAN 87

FM JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH

TO RUHQBPA/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI PRIORITY

INFO RUHQBQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J2/J3/J36// PRIORITY

RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW// PRIORITY

RUEKJCS/JCS WASHDC//J5/PW-MIA// PRIORITY

RUEADWH/WHITEHOUSE WASHDC//NSC/MR CHILDRESS// PRIORITY

RUMJFS/AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

RUMJUD/AMCONSUL UDORN

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EZ1:

SECTION 01 OF 02 LIAISON BANGKOK 00295

3005 JAN 87.

CITE:

EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-472B, ANOTHER LETTER FROM

- REF: A. JCRC BKK 180913Z DEC 86 (NOTAL).  
 B. JCRC BKK 151010Z DEC 86 (T86-472A).  
 C. DIA/VO-PW 122115Z DEC 86 (NOTAL).  
 D. JCRC BKK 210841Z NOV 86 ( T86-472).  
 E. JCRC BKK 240721Z OCT 86 (T86-446).  
 F. JCRC BKK 030759Z OCT 86 (T86-388A).  
 G. JCRC BKK 110501Z SEP 86 (T86-388).

1. SUMMARY: JCRC LNB RECEIVED ANOTHER LETTER FROM SOURCE WHICH HIS URGENT NEED FOR MONEY IS THE PREDOMINANT THEME. THE LETTER MAKES UNCLEAR REFERENCE TO "BONES" AND "COORDINATES OF THE PRISON". END SUMMARY.

2. INFORMATION: ON 23 DECEMBER 86 WE RECEIVED ANOTHER LETTER FROM SOURCE WHICH SHEDS ADDITIONAL LIGHT ON THE VERACITY OF HIS PREVIOUS INFORMATION. THE LETTER, WRITTEN IN LAO, READS AS FOLLOWS: (QUOTE)

KHEMMERAT, 17-12-86  
 DEAR JCRC  
 HOW ARE YOU. I'M WELL AS BEFORE. BUT THE MATTER WE

DISCUSSED BEFORE IS STILL NOT FINISHED. I HAD RESULTS, BUT THOSE PEOPLE ONLY WANT MONEY. IF THEY DON'T SEE THE MONEY, THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK. AS FOR ME, I CAN'T GO OVER THERE. I WANT TO COME TO SEE YOUR BUT CAN'T BECAUSE I'M COMPLETELY OUT OF MONEY. THEREFORE, I ASK YOUR COMMITMENT. THEY THINK THEY'VE BEEN LIED TO. DO YOU WANT THEM TO COME TO SEE YOU THEMSELVES? OR WILL YOU GO YOURSELF? I CAN'T GO BECAUSE I HAVE NO MONEY TO TRAVEL. PLEASE ANSWER THIS LETTER QUICKLY BECAUSE THE MEN WHO BROUGHT THE BONES THINK THEY'VE BEEN DECEIVED. THEY DON'T BELIEVE ME BECAUSE WE CAME BACK WITH NOTHING AFTER FIVE DAYS. NOW, I HAVE NO WAY OUT. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DESERT ME, ARE YOU? I HELPED AS MUCH AS I COULD ALREADY. I CAN'T CONTINUE BECAUSE I HAVE NOTHING LEFT. THEY ONLY WANT MONEY. THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY: YOU MUST COME HERE YOURSELF. IF YOU CAN'T COME, AT LEAST WRITE TO TELL THEM.

IS THE ATTACHED LETTER WHAT YOU WANTED? IF IT IS, PLEASE RETURN IT TO ME. FINALLY: I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT I'VE TRIED TO SAY ABOVE. AS FOR THE COORDINATES OF THE PRISON, THEY BROUGHT IT, BUT DIDN'T GIVE IT TO ME BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T SEE ANY MONEY. THEY ARE ONLY INTERESTED IN A REWARD.

SIGNE *Source* *Source Data*  
(END OF TRANSLATION OF LETTER)

3. ENCLOSED WITH SOURCE'S LETTER IS A REPRODUCED LETTER, TYPEWRITTEN UNDER THE LETTERHEAD "UNITED VIETNAM VETERANS ORGANIZATION POW/MIA AFFAIRS, PROJECT LAZARUS, 8029 HOLY CROSS WAY, WESTCHESTER, CA 90045, (213) 645-757?". THE INTRODUCTION OF THE UNDATED LETTER IS BY "COLONEL JAMES BO GRITZ". IT IS A LETTER OF INSTRUCTION TO AMERICAN POWS, INFORMING THEM THAT THE BEARERS ARE FREE LAO, AND INSTRUCTS THE POWS TO COOPERATE TO INSURE THEIR SAFE RETURN TO A SECURE BASE WHERE THEY WILL BE PICKED UP.

4. COMMENTS: THE ABOVE LETTER, LIKE THE LETTER REPORTED IN REF E, APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN SOURCE; I.E., THE BODY OF THE LETTER IS WRITTEN NEATLY COMPARED TO SOURCE'S LABORED, RATHER SHAKY SIGNATURE. WE ALSO NOTE THAT WHILE SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE TRAVELED TO LAOS AND PERSONALLY OBTAINED A POW SIGNATURE (REF D), HE MENTIONS IN HIS LETTER HIS INABILITY TO GET "THE COORDINATES OF THE PRISON" FROM HIS CONTACT. WE ARE STILL WAITING FOR SOURCE'S RESPONSE TO OUR 23 DECEMBER LETTER REQUESTING THAT HE FORWARD THE POW SIGNATURE HE ALLEGEDLY OBTAINED IN LAOS. A COPY OF SOURCE'S LETTER, ALONG WITH A COPY OF OUR 23 DEC LETTER TO HIM WILL BE FORWARDED TO HQ JCRC AND DIA/  
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53 (PCXY) \*01/05/87\* \*06:08:21.3.9\*  
ZCZC 11:07:26Z (PC)  
PTTSZYUM RUEKJCS0295 0051047- -RUEALGX.

ZNY  
P 051047Z JAN 87  
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RUEAAAA/CNO WASHINGTON DC  
RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC  
RUEAARA/AMCC FT RITCHIE MD  
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RUMJUD/AMCONSUL UDORN

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SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-472B, ANOTHER LETTER FROM  
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SUBJ: JCRC RPT T86-472A

REF: A. JCRC-LNB 150939Z DEC 86  
B. JCRC-LNB 210841Z NOV 86, RPT T86-472A  
C. DIA/VO-PW 122115Z DEC 86

1. APPRECIATE YOUR RAPID RESPONSE TO REF C. HAVE GONE FORWARD WITH REPLY TO DIRECTOR'S QUESTION.

2. 1) REQUEST YOU INFORM US OF STATUS OF TWO ACTIONS: A. IN REF B, THI STATED HE HAD FORM AND SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER WITH SIGNATURE OF US PW. HE PROVIDED YOU THE FORM DESCRIBED IN REF A; HAS HE PROVIDED THE SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER? IF NOT, WHEN DO YOU PLAN TO RECONTACT HIM TO OBTAIN THE PAPER?  
B. IN REF B, THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION OF POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION. WHAT IS STATUS OF YOUR PLANS TO RECONTACT *SC* AND PLANS FOR POLYGRAPH?BT  
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CITE: 3898 DEC 86

EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-472A, RESPONSE TO REQUEST  
FOR INFORMATIONREF: A. JCRC-LNB 210841Z NOV 86, RPT T86-472  
B. DIA/VO-PW 122115Z DEC 86 (NOTAL)1. REF B REQUESTED A RESPONSE TO DIA DIRECTOR'S QUESTION AS TO WHY JCRC PERSONNEL DID NOT GO WITH SOURCE *Source* TO UBON TO OBTAIN THE POW SIGNATURE HE CLAIMED HE HAD IN REF A.

2. DIA SUPPOSITION EXPRESSED IN REF B IS CORRECT. JCRC LNO'S JUDGEMENTAL DECISION REGARDING BEST USE OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES WAS BASED ON OUR ASSESSMENT, BORNE OUT BY SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION REPORTED BELOW, THAT SOURCE'S STORY WAS LACKING IN CREDIBILITY. THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS REPORT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED ON 10 DEC, BUT NOT REPORTED EARLIER AS ALL JCRC PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN EITHER UP-COUNTRY OR OUT-OF-COUNTRY INTERVIEWING OTHER INFORMATION SOURCES.

3. INFORMATION: DURING THE 17 NOV INTERVIEW, SOURCE *SC* MENTIONED THAT HE HAD A FORM WRITTEN IN ENGLISH WITH SPACES FOR AMERICAN POWS TO FILL IN PERSONAL INFORMATION. HE SAID

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 INFO RUHQBPA/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI  
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S-1757/VO-PW

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

REF: JCRC LNB 210841Z NOV 86, RPT T86-472.

1. REF A REPORTED CLAIM BY SOURCE *Source* THAT HE HAD JOURNEYED TO AREA IN VIENGSAY PROVINCE, VISITED WITH 10 US PWS AS WELL AS SEVERAL LAOTIAN PWS, OBTAINED SIGNATURE OF ONE AMERICAN, AND RETURNED TO THAILAND. DIRECTOR, DIA, HAS ASKED VO-PW QUOTE WHY DIDN'T THEY GO WITH THE GUY TO UBON TO GET THE SIGNATURE? UNQUOTE.
2. BASED ON THE FACTS SURROUNDING *Source* REPORT, WE SURMISE YOU DID NOT DO SO BECAUSE HIS CURRENT AND PAST REPORTING IS SOMEWHAT SUSPECT. THE REPORTING HAS BEEN COUPLED WITH APPEALS FOR MONEY AND RESETTLEMENT. *Source* CLAIMED TO HAVE ENTERED LAOS ON 13 OCTOBER AND REMAINED THERE THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER, HOWEVER, ON 17 OCTOBER HE, WITH A FRIEND'S ASSISTANCE, TELEPHONED JCRC FROM UBON, THAILAND. WE ALSO NOTE THAT HIS REPORT HAS GROWN FROM CLEVE DOG TAG AND REPORTS OF REMAINS, THROUGH REPORT OF 226 US PWS NEAR SRV-LAO BORDER, NOW TO VISIT WITH 10 US PWS.
3. WE MUST REPLY TO DIRECTOR NLT COB MONDAY, 15 DEC. REQUEST YOU PROVIDE ANSWER IMMEDIATELY.

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## DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20340

## DIA EVALUATION OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY

*Source*

**SUMMARY:** *Source* reports on the alleged relocation of 226 American PWS from Vietnam to Laos in June 1986. The source further reports that he allegedly sighted 10 American PWS in Laos in late October 1986.

**DETAILS:** *Source* has been interviewed three times by JCRC. He initially provided dog tag data and made no mention of having seen live Americans. Later, he told a liaison agency of a hearsay account of 226 U.S. PWS in Laos. This information had not been provided to JCRC in two previous interviews.

In a third report, *Source* claimed to have been in Laos from 13 October through 3 November and seen 10 U.S. PWS at that time and obtained the signature of one. Yet, on 17 October, he telephoned JCRC from Ubun, Thailand.

JCRC has been waiting for the signature of the PW and made numerous requests for *Source* to send the signature. Mr. *Source* says he has the signature, but will not hand it over until he receives some kind of reward.

**ANALYSIS:** VO-PW has no prior reporting on the movement of American PWS from Vietnam to Laos in June 1986.

It is doubtful that *Source*, a man who proclaims he has no money, ever made his two trips into Laos. The forms provided by him, and which he considered to be proof, were copies of those produced by an organization headed by James "Bo" Gritz and signed by Gritz.

His ruse of seeing 10 U.S. PWS in Laos was overshadowed by his phone call to JCRC from Ubun, Thailand.

Each of his reports has been accompanied with an appeal for money or resettlement assistance. The information provided by this source raises questions as to his truthfulness and his holding of valid information.

**EVALUATION:** The information provided by *Source* is fabricated.

**DATE:** 9 March 1987

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EZ1: SECTION 01 OF 03 LIAISON BANGKOK 51258

CITE: 3855 NOV 86

EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-472, ALLEGED SIGHTING OF TEN  
AMERICAN PRISONERS IN LAOS

REF: A. JCRC LIAISON 110501Z SEP 86, T86-388

B. JCRC LIAISON 030759Z OCT 86, T86-388A

1. SOURCE/ADMIN DATA:

A. NAME: SD

B. ID DATA: NONE

C. DPOB: S

D. ADDRESS: SD

E. PROFESSION: RESISTANCE FIGHTER/PROBABLE

BOARDER SMUGGLER

F. EDUCATION: NONE

G. LANGUAGES: LAO (NATIVE)

H. STATUS: SD

I. DATE OF INFORMATION: OCTOBER 86

J. INTERVIEWED ON: SD

K. MAP USED: JOG NF 48-18, NE 48-15

2. SUMMARY: SOURCE ALLEGED THAT IN LATE  
OCTOBER 1986, HE TRAVELLED TO VIENGXAY WITH HIS UNCLE,  
Name Date, AND SAW 10 AMERICAN POWS.

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HE OBTAINED THE SIGNATURE OF ONE OF THE AMERICANS, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT HAVE IT WITH HIM AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW. IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS INFORMATION, SOURCE REQUESTED RESETTLEMENT ASSISTANCE FOR HIS FAMILY. ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT REFUSE, NEITHER WOULD HE MAKE A COMMITMENT TO TAKE A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION. SOURCE PROMISED TO MAIL THE PIECE OF PAPER ON WHICH HE HAD THE AMERICAN'S SIGNATURE AFTER RETURNING TO HIS HOME IN UBON PROVINCE.

3. INFORMATION: ON 17 NOV 86, JCRC-LNB RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM SOURCE. HE STATED HE WAS IN BANGKOK AND WANTED TO COME TO JCRC-LNB TO TALK WITH THE "HOUA NA" (THE BOSS) ABOUT SOMETHING IMPORTANT. HE ARRIVED HALF HOUR LATER WITH TWO OTHER MEN WHO DECLINED TO ENTER THE EMBASSY COMPOUND. SOURCE WAS SIGNED IN (HE HAD NO IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS) AND ESCORTED TO JCRC-LNB OFFICE WHERE HE WAS INTRODUCED TO Name INTERPRETED.

4. SOURCE SAID THAT HE HAD COME TO REPORT INFORMATION ABOUT LIVE AMERICAN PRISONERS HE HAD SEEN RECENTLY IN LAOS, BUT FIRST WANTED TO KNOW IF HIS FAMILY COULD BE RESETTLED TO THE UNITED STATES IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS COOPERATION. AFTER EXPLAINING THAT US POLICY DOES NOT ALLOW FOR SPECIAL FAVOURS, RESETTLEMENT OR REWARDS IN EXCHANGE FOR POW/MIA INFORMATION, SOURCE WAS ASKED ABOUT THE DETAILS OF HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING.

5. SOURCE STATED THAT SOON AFTER HIS RELEASE FROM THE MUKDAHAN JAIL (REFS A AND B) IN EARLY OCTOBER, HE RETURNED TO LAOS AND VISITED HIS MOTHER. HIS MOTHER IMPLORED HIM TO STOP HIS RESISTANCE ACTIVITIES, FEARING FOR HIS SAFETY, BUT SOURCE TOLD HER HE COULD NOT STOP UNTIL HE FOUND OUT MORE ABOUT THE MISSING AMERICANS THAT HE HAD HEARD ABOUT. SOURCE THEN CONTACTED HIS UNCLE, Name (WD 1819). SOURCE STATED THAT Name AS THE PERSON WHO HELPED HIM OBTAIN THE REMAINS THAT HE HAD BEEN CAUGHT WITH IN MUKDAHAN.

6. SOURCE ASKED Name HE HAD HEARD ANY MORE INFORMATION ABOUT MISSING AMERICANS. RESPONDED THAT HE HAD HEARD THERE WERE AMERICANS AND OTHER FOREIGN PRISONERS BEING HELD IN VIENGXAY. SOURCE Name THAT HE WAS INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT THEM, AND Name GREED TO TAKE HIM THERE TO SEE THE AMERICAN PRISONERS FOR HIMSELF. SOURCE STATED THAT ON 13 OCTOBER, HE, Name AND 30 SOLDIERS LEFT KENGKOK IN A SOVIET "66" TEN WHEEL TRUCK HEADED FOR VIENGXAY, DRIVING NORTH ALONG ROUTE 13. ARRIVING IN THAKHEK (VE 8073), THEY STAYED FOR THREE DAYS THEN CONTINUED NORTH, TAKING



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THERE WAS ALSO A "SMALL BATTALION", 300-400, OF VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS. THE VIETNAMESE LIVED IN THREE LONG BARRACKS JUST OUTSIDE THE FENCED DETENTION FACILITY, WHILE THE TA-OY LAO SOLDIERS LIVED IN TWO BARRACKS INSIDE THE FENCE ON EITHER SIDE OF THE DETENTION BUILDING. SOURCE SAID THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME HE VISITED VIENGXAY AND COULD NOT RECALL THE DETAILS OF THE AREA.

8. <sup>Name</sup> TOOK SOURCE TO SEE THE PRISONERS. HE WAS LED TO A LONG WOODEN BUILDING WHICH WAS DIVIDED UP INTO FIVE LARGE ROOMS. IN THE FIRST ROOM WERE 10 AMERICANS AND 20 PRISONERS OF OTHER NATIONALITIES, INCLUDING 10 BLACK MEN. THE SECOND ROOM CONTAINED 200-300 FORMER ROYAL LAO ARMY OFFICERS; MAJOR AND ABOVE. THE THIRD ROOM CONTAINED 100 CAPTAINS AND FIRST LIEUTENANTS. THE FOURTH ROOM HELD 100 SECOND LIEUTENANTS, AND IN THE FIFTH ROOM WERE 50 RESISTANCE FIGHTERS.

9. AT THE FIRST ROOM, SOURCE LEARNED THAT TWO OF THE AMERICANS COULD SPEAK LAO. SOURCE GAVE ONE OF THEM A BLANK PIECE OF PAPER AND ASKED HIM TO SIGN HIS NAME AND WRITE SOME PERSONAL INFORMATION. THE AMERICAN AGREED TO SIGN HIS NAME, BUT WOULD NOT PROVIDE PERSONAL INFORMATION. ASKED IF HE WAS SURE HE HAD PERSONALLY WITNESSED THE AMERICAN SIGNING HIS NAME ON THE PAPER, SOURCE STOOD UP TO DEMONSTRATE THAT HE WAS STANDING ABOUT FOUR FEET AWAY AT THE TIME. ASKED WHAT THIS AMERICAN LOOK LIKE, SOURCE SAID THAT HE, LIKE THE OTHERS, WAS VERY THIN. HE WAS ABOUT 40 YEARS OLD AND HAD SHOULDER LENGTH RED HAIR. THAT'S ALL SOURCE COULD RECALL.

10. SOURCE SAID HE STAYED IN VIENGXAY A FEW NIGHTS, RETURNED TO BAN KENGKOK ON 3 NOVEMBER AND CROSSED BACK TO THAILAND A FEW DAYS LATER. ASKED IF HE BROUGHT THE PAPER WITH THE AMERICAN'S SIGNATURE, SOURCE SAID THAT HE LEFT IT AT HIS HOME IN UBON. HE WAS AFRAID TO CARRY THE PAPER TO BANGKOK WITH HIM, FEARING THAT HE WOULD BE IN SERIOUS TROUBLE IF HE WERE STOPPED BY THAI POLICE AND IT WAS FOUND ON HIM. SOURCE VOLUNTEERED THAT HE ALSO HAD A FORM WRITTEN IN ENGLISH WHICH HAD SPACES FOR AMERICAN POWS TO FILL IN PERSONAL INFORMATION, BUT THAT HE HAD BEEN AFRAID TO BRING IT TO LAOS WITH HIM. HE HAD OBTAINED THE FORM FROM FRIENDS AT NAPHO REFUGEE CAMP. JCRC REP ASKED SOURCE IF HE WOULD MAIL THESE TWO PAPERS TO JCRC AFTER ARRIVING BACK HOME. SOURCE SAID HE WOULD. HE ALSO STATED THAT HE WOULD BE BACK IN BANGKOK IN MID-DECEMBER IF JCRC SHOULD HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS AFTER RECEIVING THE SIGNATURE.

11. JCRC INTERVIEWER TOLD SOURCE THE IMPORTANCE THE US GOVERNMENT PLACES ON INFORMATION ABOUT LIVE AMERICANS AND ASKED SOURCE IF HE WOULD BE

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WILLING TO TAKE A POLYGRAPH EXAM. SOURCE HAD NOT HEARD OF A POLYGRAPH DEVICE, SO IT WAS EXPLAINED TO HIM. HIS RESPONSE IN COLLOQUIAL LAO COULD BE TRANSLATED AS "NO WAY MAN, I DON'T WANT TO DIE!" SOURCE WAS ASSURED THAT THE PROCEDURE WAS NOT

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 HARMFUL, AND SERVED ONLY TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF  
 A PERSON'S INFORMATION. SOURCE SAID HE STILL WAS NOT  
 SURE IT WAS A GOOD IDEA, BUT IF JCRC WANTED PROOF,  
 HE WOULD MAIL THE SIGNATURE HE OBTAINED AND WE COULD  
 SEE FOR OURSELVES. HE WENT ON TO STATE AGAIN THAT  
 IF THE INFORMATION PROVED TRUE, HE WOULD LIKE  
 RESETTLEMENT TO THE US FOR HIS FAMILY. IF IT IS  
 NOT TRUE, HE WILL ASK FOR NOTHING. SOURCE WAS TOLD  
 THAT HIS BEST CHANCE TO GET HIS FAMILY TO THE US WOULD  
 BE TO ENTER THE REFUGEE SYSTEM AND APPLY FOR RESETTLE-  
 MENT. SOURCE SAID HE COULD NOT DO THAT BECAUSE HIS  
 WIFE IS A THAI CITIZEN.

12. COMMENT: INTERVIEWER TAKES NOTE OF  
 SOURCE'S CLAIMED EASY ACCESS TO THE ALLEGED AMERICAN  
 PRISONERS, SOURCE'S INABILITY TO RECALL BUT FEW  
 DETAILS OF HIS TRIP TO VIENGKAY, AND THE FACT OF HIS  
 SEVERAL APPEALS FOR RESETTLEMENT ASSISTANCE FOR HIS  
 FAMILY; HOWEVER, RECEIPT OF THE SIGNATURE THAT SOURCE  
 PROMISED TO SEND SHOULD SHED ADDITIONAL LIGHT ON THE  
 CREDIBILITY OF HIS INFORMATION.

SOURCE STATED THAT THE TWO

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MEN WHO ACCOMPANIED HIM TO THE EMBASSY ARE

AS A LABORER IN BANGKOK.

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SUBJ: SOURCE DIRECTED REQUIREMENT

REF: TDFIRDB-315/31473-86, CITE 068313, DTG 201906Z SEP 86.

1. IN REPLY CITE S-VOP-05008. SOURCE: SOURCE OF REF. TITLE:  
 PW/MIA INFORMATION. COUNTRY: LA. OBJECTIVE: PG2430.

2. BACKGROUND: JCRC MESSAGE (DTG 110501Z  
 SEP 86) (POUCHED SEPARATELY) DESCRIBES POSSIBLE AMERICAN REMAINS  
 CONFISCATED BY MUKDAHAN POLICE. THE SOURCE, *Source* STATED

THAT IN JULY 1986, WHILE AT BAN NONG CHIK (VIC WC4888) HIS  
 RESISTANCE SUPERIOR, *Name* DIRECTED *SC* TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO  
 EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE TO LOOK FOR AMERICAN REMAINS.

BELIEVED THE LOCATION WHERE HE ALLEGEDLY FOUND REMAINS WAS NEAR BAN  
 THAKHONG IN XEPON DISTRICT. DURING HIS DEBRIEF *SC* MADE NO MENTION  
 TO JCRC REP OF HEARSAY INFORMATION CONCERNING 226 U.S. PW AS HE DID  
 DURING HIS CIA DEBRIEF (CIA TDFIR 315/31473-86). *SC* STORIES  
 GIVEN TO JCRC

DIA/NMIC/DC-4/DC-1/DC-ES/VO/OA-3/DB-2C

*Name*

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AND CIA ARE BASICALLY THE SAME EXCEPT, THAT IN TALKING TO CIA, HE  
 ADDED THE 226 PWS.

3. REQUIREMENTS: REQUEST REINTERVIEW OF SOURCE  
 SOURCE ABOUT HIS CLAIMED TRIP WITH *Name* *Name* DID *SC* REALLY  
 TRAVEL TO XEPON DISTRICT? DID HE REALLY OBSERVE 226 US PWS? DID HE  
 OBSERVE ANY US PWS AT ALL? WHY DID HE NOT TELL JCRC ABOUT THE 226  
 SUSPECTED.

4. GUIDANCE:  
 A. *DATA*

B. REQUEST ALL RESPONSES TO THIS REQUIREMENT BE PREPARED IN  
 MESSAGE FORMAT AND FORWARDED TO DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW//, WITH  
 INFO FOR CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI AND JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH. *TUA*  
 ORIGINALS OR LEGIBLE PHOTOCOPIES OF ALL SKETCHES, DOCUMENTS,



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## ILLEGAL ALIENS IN THAILAND REPORT MIA REMAINS

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[Article: "Three Lao Claim To Have Buried a U.S. Pilot, Ask for a Reward, Are Arrested by the Police"]

[Excerpt] Three Accused of Secretly Entering the Country Reveal Evidence of Pilot

The war in Laos has been over for a long time, but the search for the remains of U.S. soldiers will probably continue both on the part of the government with direct communications and on the part of individuals from the families of those lost who hire former U.S. soldiers with war experience in Laos to slip in to search for evidence of or remains of soldiers from that war. In Mukdahan Province there was a report that at 1100 hours on 3 August an official from the U.S. Embassy stationed in Thailand with the section working to solve the problem of soldiers from the United States who have been missing since the Vietnam war, met with Police 2d Lt Chamrat Chaisak, the officer on duty at the provincial police station in Mukdahan District, and expressed his desire to meet with the three accused Lao who were arrested for slipping into Thailand without permission. The Lao were

*Names* [The meeting was requested] because the embassy had received word from Mr Kamkaeo, a Lao leader, that these three had buried the body of a U.S. pilot and had brought some evidence with them. Police 2d Lt Chamrat reported this to Police Maj Udom Chanthaphithak, a police inspector, and also listened to the complete story of the three.

SC revealed that before the war in Vietnam and Laos had ended, the three of them had made a living by gathering household goods and selling them. One day as they were searching for household goods at Ban Nongchik Village, Songkhon District, Savannakhet Province in Laos, they found the half burned remains, just bones, of a U.S. soldier in a flight suit (pilot) which was half burned; so together they took off the suit and kept the name tags which were hanging from the neck. The name on the tags was

*Name* ... *Data*  
They buried the skeleton until a time when the system in Laos would be changed. Then they fled and entered Thailand at Ban Nongwaeng Village, Khammarat District, Ubonratchathani Province. Later they learned that the Americans had been searching for those missing, and were giving rewards to those who led them to skeletons or evidence of U.S. soldiers. *So* they told the story to Mr Khamkeao and returned to check where they had buried the remains.

Then they returned to the Thai shore with the intention of going to the refugee center at Nakhon Phanom but were arrested by the provincial police of the district before they could. After Mr Kedury asked a few questions, he left but set a date to return in the near future to let the three know what happened. He did not reveal what the mission or the importance of this pilot had been.



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FROM: JCRC-LNB

SUBJ: Letter from *to LNB*

31 October 1986

TO: Commander, JCRC

1. Please refer to our message, DTG 240721Z Oct 86, JCRC Report T86-446.
2. Enclosed for your information is the subject letter reported by Reference.

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SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-446, LETTER ALLEGING MORE REMAINS  
AND KNOWLEDGE OF AMERICAN PRISONERS

REF: A. JCRC LIAISON 110501Z SEP 86, T86-388  
B. JCRC LIAISON 030759Z OCT 86, T86-388A

1. ON 20 OCT, JCRC RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING  
LETTER (IN THAI) FROM *Somchai* ONE OF THE  
THREE LAOTIANS ARRESTED IN MUKDAHAN AND REPORTED  
IN REFS A AND B:

QUOTE

16 OCT 2529

DEAR K. .... *JCRC*

BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE, I MUST EXCUSE MYSELF FOR NOT  
GOING TO SEE YOU. I COULD NOT BECAUSE I HAVE A LOT  
OF PROBLEMS. FIRST, IT IS DIFFICULT FOR A FOREIGNER  
LIKE ME TO TRAVEL. ANOTHER PROBLEM IS MONEY. I HAVE  
TO EAT AND TAKE CARE OF MY FAMILY. BUT FOR THE ODD  
JOBS I DO, I AM PAID VERY LITTLE. THEREFORE, I  
WOULD LIKE YOU TO ADVANCE ME 2,000 DOLLARS (TWO  
THOUSAND DOLLARS). I NEED IT TO PROVIDE FOR MY FAMILY  
AND PAY FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES, BECAUSE PAYING BRIBES  
ALONG THE WAY GETS THE BEST RESULTS. I HOPE YOU  
UNDERSTAND. AS FOR THE REMAINS AND IDENTIFICATIONS  
OF THE AMERICAN MILITARY MEN, THE TWO OTHER CORPSES

THE REMA FRAGMENTS WILL BE HAND-CARRIED  
BY THE AIRCRAFT TO BARBERS PT HI

ARE STILL WITH MY MEN, AND THERE ARE STILL MANY MORE  
LIVE AMERICAN PRISONERS. BUT LET'S SETTLE THE FIRST  
MATTER FIRST, THEN I'M SURE THERE'LL BE MORE. AND  
WE MUST MAKE AN AGREEMENT. FINALLY, I HOPE YOU ARE  
SAFEGUARDING THE PROMISE YOU MADE WITH ME. THANK YOU  
IN ADVANCE. RESPECTFULLY, SC  
SEND RESPONSE IN CARE OF

*Small Data*

P.S. LET'S WAIT UNTIL WE CAN GET TOGETHER AND THEN  
TALK AGAIN. I'LL COME AND SEE YOU AFTER YOU SEND THE  
MONEY.

END QUOTE

2. COMMENT: ON 17 OCT, JCRC *Tell* RECEIVED PER OWN  
A PHONE CALL FROM *sc* A THAI FRIEND SPOKE FIRST, AND  
SAID THAT *sc* HAD JUST BEEN RELEASED FROM JAIL AND  
WANTED TO MEET WITH JCRC REP AGAIN. WHEN ASKED WHY,  
THE UNIDENTIFIED THAI GAVE THE PHONE OVER TO *sc*  
*sc* WAS JUST ABOUT INCOHERENT AND SOUNDED LIKE HE  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN SUFFERING THE EFFECTS OF OVER-CELEBRAT-  
ING HIS RELEASE FROM JAIL. HE KEPT INSISTING THAT  
*Tell* TRAVEL TO UBON IMMEDIATELY BECAUSE HE HAD  
SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO TALK ABOUT, BUT WAS NOT ABLE  
TO PROVIDE ANY MORE THAN THAT. IT IS LIKELY THAT  
THE ABOVE LETTER WAS WRITTEN BY ONE OF *sc* THAI  
FRIENDS, POSSIBLY THE SAME PERSON WHO PUT HIM UP TO  
MAKING THE TELEPHONE CALL. THE MUKDAHAN POLICE HAD  
INFORMED US THAT AFTER THEIR RELEASE, *sc* AND HIS  
TWO SIDEKICKS WOULD BE TAKEN TO NAPHO REFUGEE CAMP.  
APPARENTLY, *sc* DID NOT MAKE IT THAT FAR. FOR THE  
RECORD, THE ONLY PROMISE MADE WITH *sc* WAS THAT BY  
AGREEING TO TURN OVER THE REMAINS HE HAD IN HIS  
POSSESSION, HE WOULD HAVE A CLEAR CONSCIENCE. THE  
ABOVE LETTER WILL BE FORWARDED TO HQ JCRC AND DIA/  
VO-PW BY SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE.

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EZ1:

LIAISON BANGKOK 45574  
3755 OCT 86

CITE:

EZ2:

SUBJECT: MEDIA INTEREST IN MUKDAHAN REMAINS CASE

REF: A. JCRC LIAISON 110501Z SEP 86, T86-388

B. JCRC LIAISON 030759Z OCT 86, T86-388A

1. ON 6 OCT, SEVERAL LOCAL NEWS CORRESPONDENTS  
CONTACTED JCRC-LNB ENQUIRING ABOUT THE REMAINS WHICH  
HAD BEEN CONFISCATED BY MUKDAHAN POLICE FROM THREE  
LAOTIANS ARRESTED ON 22 AUG (REF A). ANTICIPATING  
THAT THESE INQUIRIES MAY PRECIPITATE ADDITIONAL  
PRESS INTEREST IN THE U.S., WE WANTED TO PROVIDE  
A HEADS-UP. THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BANGKOK NEWSPAPER  
"THE NATION REVIEW" CARRIED AN ARTICLE ABOUT THESE  
REMAINS ON 7 OCTOBER.

2. WE ATTEMPTED TO CLARIFY TO THE PRESS THAT THE  
REMAINS RECEIVED WERE OF LIMITED QUANTITY (REF B),  
NOTHING APPROXIMATING A "SET" THAT THE NEWS PEOPLE  
HAD APPARENTLY HEARD ABOUT. WE ALSO POINTED OUT  
THAT THERE WAS NO ASSURANCE THESE REMAINS COULD BE  
IDENTIFIED OR CORRELATED TO THE DOG TAG WHICH WAS  
ALSO WITH THE REMAINS. THIS INCIDENT WAS CITED AS  
ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW INEXPERIENCED RECOVERY EFFORTS  
MAY ONLY RESULT IN THE DESTRUCTION OF POTENTIALLY USEFUL  
EVIDENCE.

3. THE BONE FRAGMENTS WILL BE HAND-CARRIED TO  
CILHI FOR EXAMINATION BY *Name* ON HIS



## STATUS OF ACTIONS ON 20 SEP CIA REPORT OF 226 US PW IN LAOS

## 20 SEP REPORT:

- Source claimed knowledge of 226 US PWs recently moved from Vietnam to Laos (circa June 1986).
- Source stated that a friend has a brother who is Lao Army officer who knows location of 226 US PW.
- In June 86, source, friend and friend's brother traveled to location near Xepon to verify the presence of US PW.
- Source was told to wait while friend and brother went to investigate.
- After four hours, friend returned (without brother) and stated that he had seen the US PWs but could not get close because of Lao and Vietnamese security forces.
- Report was provided to CIA by Thai officials who commented that source and two others associated with him "involved themselves with the alleged POWs in expectation of receiving a reward and resettlement in the US."

## FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS:

- Reviewed reporting chronology.
  - Source had been interviewed by JCRC previously for dogtag information and had not reported the information of 226 US PW to JCRC.
- Requested CIA and/or JCRC follow-up and reinterview source; suggested polygraph if fabrication is suspected.

## REPORTING CHRONOLOGY

28 July 1986 - (tab 2) JCRC-LNO interviewed *source*  
learned the following:

- Has information from dog tag of *Name*
- Says Pathet Lao have *Name* dog tag plus two others, and four sets of American remains.
- Remains can be purchased for \$20,000 each.
- Information provided to *SS* by another Thai villager, *Name*, who claims to have Lao contacts.
- Name* claimed to *SS* that his Lao contacts know of 250 American prisoners being held along the Thai-Lao border.
- *Name* dog tag is that of U.S. Army Warrant Officer *Name* BNR, lost in helicopter incident 9 March 1971 in southern Laos.

5 August 1986 - (tab 2) Letter from *SS* received by JCRC-LNO:

- Name* attempting to obtain location and signatures of the 250 American prisoners.
- \$20,000 per set of remains requested.

3 September 1986 - (tab 2) JCRC learned of arrest of two Thai and three Lao in possession of remains, artifacts, and the Cleve dog tag.

- Visited Lao prison *SC* *Names*
- Observed small amount of remains, *Name*: dog tag, .38 caliber bullet, and probable flight suit remnants in possession of Thai police.
- Interviewed Lao sources who claim to have access to three sets of remains from crashsite of jet aircraft in Laos
- Sources entered Thailand with portion of remains to sell to U.S. Government; arrested by Thai.
- Lao sources, *Name* *Name* *Name*, made no mention of American prisoners.

6 September 1986 - (tab 3) JCRC-LNO received second letter from Thai citizen

- Claims his sources double crossed him.
- States his sources were arrested at Mukdahan.

16 September 1986 - CIA obtained report from an official liaison service as follows:

- Lao national in jail at Mukdahan reports having obtained three sets of remains from Lao villager in Savannakhet Province, Laos.
- Lao villager claims that his elder brother is a member of unit guarding 226 American prisoners.
- PWs reported to be guarded by Lao Army and Vietnamese Army troops.
- According to the villager, the PWs had been moved from Vietnam to Laos in June 1986.

INTERIM EVALUATION:

- No similar reporting in data base.
- Individuals held in seminar in Xepone area report no knowledge of or no rumors of Americans held in that area.
- Source claims to be associated with Lao resistance, yet no member of Lao resistance has reported 226 US PW near Xepone.
- Sequence of reporting suggests source was attempting to gain reward from USG; when on forthcoming, he reported another story.
- Report, while probably bogus, will continue to be investigated until definitive conclusion reached.
- The *Nam* dogtag appears to be genuine and probably was recovered from crashsite. May have been recovered by source or by his sources.

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EZ2:

CITE: 3680 SEP 86  
SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-388, POSSIBLE AMERICAN REMAINS  
- CONFISCATED BY MUKDAHAN POLICE  
REF: JCRC LIAISON 220835Z AUG 86, RPT T86-354  
(NOTAL)1. REF REPORTED HEARSAY INFORMATION FROM THAI  
CITIZEN *Soukhe* CONCERNING FOUR POSSIBLE SETS  
OF AMERICAN REMAINS AND DOG TAG INFORMATION ON *Name*2. ON 2 SEP 86, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS  
PASSED LATERALLY TO JCRC-LNB:  
- ON 0 AUG 86 TWO THAI MEN AND THREE LAOTIANS  
WERE ARRESTED BY MUKDAHAN PROVINCIAL POLICE AT SAM  
KHA VILLAGE CHECK-POINT, MUANG DISTRICT, MUKDAHAN  
PROVINCE. THE MEN CLAIMED THAT A LAO RESISTANCE  
FIGHTER SENT THEM TO CONTACT THE AMERICAN CONSULATE  
IN UDON PROVINCE IN ORDER TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING  
ITEMS FOR REWARD: SEVERAL SMALL PIECES OF BONE,  
A PIECE OF BURNT MATERIAL WITH A ZIPPER WHICH APPEARED  
TO HAVE BEEN PART OF A FLIGHT SUIT, AND ONE DOG TAG  
WITH THE FOLLOWING:

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THE TWO THAI MEN, WHO HAD ALREADY BEEN RELEASE  
ON BAIL, SAID A LAO RESISTANCE SOLDIER NAMED *Name*  
HAD RECOVERED THE ABOVE ITEMS AT BAN NONG  
CHIK, SONGKHON DISTRICT (WC 2594), SAVANNAKHET  
PROVINCE, LAOS. *Name* ATTACHED TO THE 3RD LAO  
RESISTANCE BATTALION AT NA WENG VILLAGE, KHEMMARAT  
DISTRICT, BON PROVINCE, THAILAND. END OF REPORT.3. A SECOND FOLLOW-UP REPORT INDICATED THAT THE  
THAI MENS' NAMES WERE *Name* *Name*  
THE THAI WERE CHARGED WITH HELPING THE LAO INTO  
THAILAND, AND WERE LATER RELEASED ON BAIL. THE  
LAO WERE CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ENTRY. ALL FIVE ARE  
TO APPEAR IN COURT. *Name* CLAIMED THAT HE WAS  
BRINGING THE THREE LAO TO NAPHO REFUGEE CAMP, AND HE  
HAD BROUGHT ALONG THE DOG TAG TO TURN IN TO AMERICAN  
OFFICIALS AT THE CAMP FOR A REWARD.4. OK 0 SEP 86, JCRC REP *Jace* TRAVELLED TO  
MUKDAHAN TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER AND REQUEST TURN-  
OVER OF THE DOG TAG AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ITEMS.  
AFTER MEETING BRIEFLY WITH LT COL MONTRI SUTHAM,  
CHIEF OF MUKDAHAN PROVINCE IMMIGRATION,  
WAS INFORMED THAT THE SMALL QUANTITY OF CONFISCATED  
REMAINS HAD BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE DISTRICT POLICE  
CHIEF, LT COL UDOM JANTPHITAK. *Jace* WENT  
TO THE POLICE STATION AND WAS MET BY POLICE OFFICER  
JAMRAT CHAISAK WHO BROUGHT OUT A SACK CONTAINING BONE  
FRAGMENTS AND OTHER OBJECTS FOR EXAMINATION. HE ALSO  
MADE THE THREE LAOTIAN PRISONERS AVAILABLE FOR  
QUESTIONING. THE SACK CONTAINED FIVE OR SIX SMALL  
BONE FRAGMENTS, THE LARGEST BEING ABOUT AN INCH AND  
A HALF LONG WHICH APPEARED TO BE A SEGMENT OF AN  
ARM OR LEG BONE. A SECOND PIECE WAS ALMOST CIRCULAR  
IN SHAPE, ABOUT AN INCH IN DIAMETER AND MAY BE A  
PIECE OF SKULL OR SCAPULA. THE REMAINDER OF THE  
PIECES WERE SMALL, UNIDENTIFIABLE FRAGMENTS. ALSO  
INCLUDED WITH THE REMAINS WAS A .38 CALIBER BULLET,  
ONE BUTTON SNAP, ONE PIECE OF ZIPPER, AND ONE PIECE  
OF PARTIALLY BURNT MATERIAL WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN A  
FLIGHT SUIT, AND THE *N* DOG TAG.5. THE THREE LAOTIAN PRISONERS WERE BROUGHT IN  
FOR QUESTIONING. THEY IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS  
*Name* AND  
*Name* *Name*  
*sc* STATED THAT IN JULY 1986,  
WHILE AT BAN NONG CHIK (ACCORDING TO *sc*, LOCATED  
IN VICINITY OF WC 4888), HIS RESISTANCE SUPERIOR,  
*Name* (LNU) DIRECTED SOURCE *sc* TO GO WITH HIM  
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 TO A LOCATION IN EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE TO LOOK  
 FOR AMERICAN REMAINS. *SC* WAS NOT SURE OF THE LOCATION  
 WHERE HE HAD BEEN TAKEN, BUT BELIEVED IT WAS NEAR  
 A VILLAGE CALLED BAN THAKHONG IN XEPON DISTRICT.  
 HE SAID HE AND *NAME* FOUND THE CRASH SITE OF A  
 JET AIRCRAFT (SOURCE SAID HE COULD TELL IT WAS A JET  
 BECAUSE OF THE SWEEPED BACK WINGS). THE TWO MEN ALLEGEDLY  
 FOUND THREE SETS OF REMAINS IN THE COCKPIT OF THIS JET,  
 PUT THEM IN A BAG AND THEN RETURNED TO BAN NONG CHIK.  
*SC* CLAIMED THAT THE REMAINS INCLUDED THREE FULL SETS,  
 INCLUDING COMPLETE SKULLS AND ALL OTHER BONES EXCEPT  
 ONE OF THE FINGER WHICH WAS MISSING OFF OF ONE OF  
 THE SKELETONS. (NOTE: JUDGING FROM THE FRAGMENTED  
 AND PARTIALLY BURNT REMAINS WHICH WERE CONFISCATED,  
 THE CLAIM OF THREE FULL SETS IS DOUBTFUL.) SOURCE  
 SAID *NAME* INSTRUCTED HIM TO TAKE THE REMAINS  
 AS A SAMPLE TO PRESENT TO U.S. OFFICIALS TO DEMONSTRATE  
 THAT THEY ACTUALLY HAD SOMETHING, AND TO DETERMINE HOW  
 MUCH THE US WOULD PAY. SOURCE SAID HE CROSSED THE  
 RIVER INTO KHEMMARAT DISTRICT OF UBON PROVINCE, AND

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WAS ADVISED BY RESISTANCE LEADER KHAMKEO NA CHAMPASAK  
 TO BRING THE REMAINS TO US OFFICIALS AT NAPHO REFUGEE  
 CAMP. (NOTE: 07 SEP 86, LOCAL THAI LANGUAGE  
 NEWSPAPERS REPORTED JCRC REP'S VISIT TO THE MUKDAHAN  
 POLICE STATION AND HIS INTERVIEW WITH THE LAOTIAN  
 PRISONERS. THE DETAILS IN THE PAPERS VARIED SOMEWHAT  
 FROM THE INFORMATION OBTAINED BY *Name*)

6. THE INTERVIEW WAS INTERRUPTED WHEN ONE OF THE  
 POLICE OFFICIALS INFORMED: *Jccc* THAT THE  
 PROVINCIAL POLICE CHIEF WAS WAITING TO MEET WITH HIM.  
*Jccc* WAS TAKEN TO THE PROVINCIAL POLICE HEADQUARTERS  
 WHERE HE MET WITH POLICE COLONEL SAREE TEMIYAWAIT.  
 COL SAREE EXPLAINED THAT HE KNEW OF THE EFFORTS OF  
 THE US GOVERNMENT TO ACCOUNT FOR ITS MISSING IN  
 SOUTHEAST ASIA, AND WANTED TO BE AS HELPFUL IN THIS  
 CASE AS POSSIBLE. HE WENT ON TO EXPLAIN THAT BECAUSE  
 THE DOG TAG AND OTHER ITEMS HAD BEEN CONFISCATED AS  
 PART OF THE LAO MENS' ARREST, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE  
 RETAINED BY POLICE OFFICIALS TO BE PRESENTED AS  
 EVIDENCE WHEN THEIR CASE GOES TO COURT. HE SUGGESTED  
 THAT IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO RELEASE THE ITEMS PRIOR  
 TO THE END OF THE COURT PROCEEDINGS WHICH HE PREDICTED  
 COULD GO ON FOR A MONTH. TO FACILITATE THAT EVENTUALITY  
 HE SUGGESTED THAT AN OFFICIAL LETTER OF REQUEST BE  
 PRESENTED REQUESTING THE TURN-OVER OF THE ITEMS TO  
 US GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

*Jccc* RESPONDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE REQUIREMENT  
 FOR PROPER LEGAL PROCEDURES TO BE OBSERVED, AND AGREED  
 TO OBTAIN THE REQUESTED LETTER. (BEFORE CLOSING THE  
 MEETING, THE COLONEL MADE A COMMENT TO HIS DEPUTY  
 THAT THE EFFORT THE US GOVERNMENT EXPENDS  
 TO DETERMINE THE FATE OF ITS MISSING SERVICEMEN  
 WAS VERY IMPRESSIVE.)

7. WHEN JCRC *Jccc* RETURNED TO BANGKOK  
 ON 6 SEP 86, A LETTER FROM *SS* (SOURCE OF  
 REF) WAS WAITING. THE LETTER SAID IN PART: "ABOUT  
 THE NAME THAT I BROUGHT YOU, I FOUND OUT THEY DOUBLE-  
 CROSSED ME. BUT THEN THEY WERE CAPTURED AT MUKDAHAN,  
 ON ABOUT THE 26TH OF AUG.". THE LETTER WAS NOT  
 SPECIFIC, BUT INDICATES THAT THERE IS A CONNECTION  
 BETWEEN THE ORIGINAL CLEVE REPORT WE RECEIVED FROM  
*SS* AND THE LAO RESISTANCE PEOPLE WHO WERE  
 APPREHENDED IN MUKDAHAN. *SS* FULL LETTER WILL  
 BE REPORTED SEPARATELY. A COPY OF THE THAI NEWS  
 ARTICLE WITH TRANSLATION WILL BE FORWARDED TO HQ JCRC.  
 WE WILL CONTINUE APPROPRIATE EFFORTS TO GAIN CUSTODY  
 OF THE REMAINS AND EFFECTS AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY.

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 EZ2:

SUBJECT: JCRC RPT T86-354, AMERICAN REMAINS AND  
 PRISONERS IN LAOS

1. SOURCE/ADMIN DATA:  
 A. NAME: *Source*  
 B. AGE: *DATA*  
 C. ADDRESS: *Source*  
 D. PROFESSION: FARMER  
 E. LANGUAGES: THAI (NATIVE)  
 F. STATUS: *SD*  
 G. DATE OF INFO: JULY 1986  
 H. INTERVIEWED AT US EMBASSY ON *A* JULY 86.

2. SUMMARY: SOURCE PROVIDED DOG TAG INFORMATION ON *Name* ALONG WITH HEARSAY INFORMATION OF FOUR SETS OF REMAINS AND 250 AMERICAN PRISONERS BEING HELD AT AN UNSPECIFIED LOCATION ALONG THE THAI/LAO BORDER.

3. INFORMATION: SOURCE, A RESIDENT OF *Southern Data* SAID HE HAD RECENTLY BEEN CONTACTED BY AN ACQUAINTANCE NAMED *Name* WHO LIVED IN BAN NAWAENG ABOUT

SIX KILOMETERS FROM SOURCE'S VILLAGE. *Name* HAD HEARD THAT SOURCE WAS PLANNING TO COME TO BANGKOK TO VISIT HIS SON AND TOLD HIM THAT SINCE HE WAS GOING TO BANGKOK ANYWAY, HE SHOULD GO TO THE US EMBASSY AND REPORT THE INFORMATION THAT HE HAD OBTAINED FROM TWO LPA OFFICERS, ONE A LT COL. THAT HE HAD MET IN LAOS ON A RECENT TRIP FOR UNSPECIFIED REASONS. SOURCE THEN TOOK OUT A PIECE OF PAPER WHICH *Name* HAD GIVEN HIM WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PRINTED IN ENGLISH:

- Name*  
*DATA*
4. *Name* TOLD SOURCE THAT THE INFORMATION HAD BEEN COPIED FROM A METAL NECK TAG, AND THAT THE PATHET LAO HAD TWO IN ADDITION TO THAT ONE AND FOUR SETS OF AMERICAN REMAINS. *Name* GAVE SOURCE 500 BAHT (ABOUT TWENTY US DOLLARS) TO HELP DEFRAY HIS EXPENSES IN CONTACTING THE US EMBASSY IN BANGKOK.
5. *Name* ALSO TOLD SOURCE THAT HIS LAO CONTACTS HAD TOLD HIM THAT THEY KNEW OF A LOCATION ALONG THE THAI/LAO BORDER WHERE 250 AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE BEING HELD. HE TOLD SOURCE THAT IF THE US EMBASSY WAS INTERESTED HE COULD TRY TO GET EVIDENCE SUCH AS SIGNATURES OR FINGERPRINTS. HE TOLD SOURCE TO ASK IF THERE WOULD BE ANY PAYMENT IF EVIDENCE WAS OBTAINED.
6. AFTER AGREEING WITH *Name* TO PASS ON THE INFORMATION, SOURCE LATER TALKED WITH HIS FRIEND *Name* WHO LIVES AT BAN LAT YAKHA. *Name* ADVISED SOURCE TO CONTACT *Name* WHO LIVES IN BAN NIKHAN, AMPHOE THANUMAN. *Name* EXPLAINED THAT *Name* HAS A RELATIVE NAMED SAYFA (LNU) WHO HE HEARD WAS ALSO INTERESTED IN AMERICAN REMAINS AND HAD HEARD THAT HE WAS PAYING 500,000 BAHT (ABOUT 20,000 US DOLLARS) FOR EACH SET OF REMAINS. SOURCE STATED THAT HE DECIDED IT WOULD BE BETTER IF HE JUST FOLLOWED *Name*'S INSTRUCTIONS AND CONTACTED THE US EMBASSY.
7. JCRC REP EXPLAINED THE POLICY OF NON-PAYMENT FOR INFORMATION AND REMAINS, AND THE HUMANITARIAN NATURE OF THE USG'S EFFORTS TO RESOLVE CASES OF MISSING AMERICANS. SOURCE WAS ASKED TO EXPLAIN THE SAME TO *Name* AND ASK HIM TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS THAT HE COULD.
8. COMMENT: SOURCE, A MAN OF MODEST MEANS, SEEMED SINCERE AND APPEARED TO BE AN INNOCENT GO-BETWEEN. HE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A FRIEND OF HIS SON'S, *Name*. THE PIECE OF PAPER PROVIDED BY SOURCE WITH *Name*'S DOG TAG INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED TO HQ JCRC. WE NOTE THAT *Name* HAD