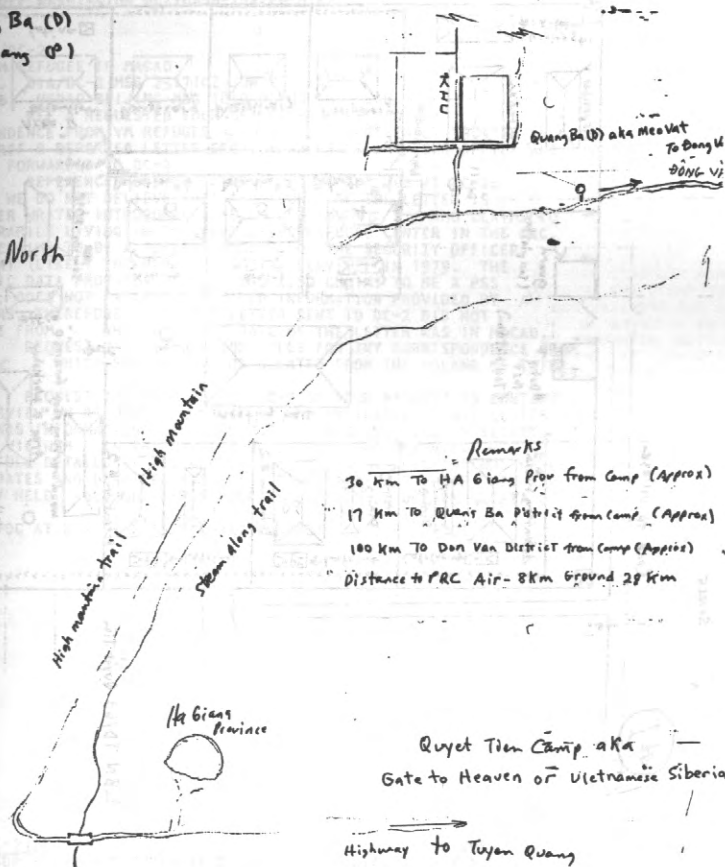


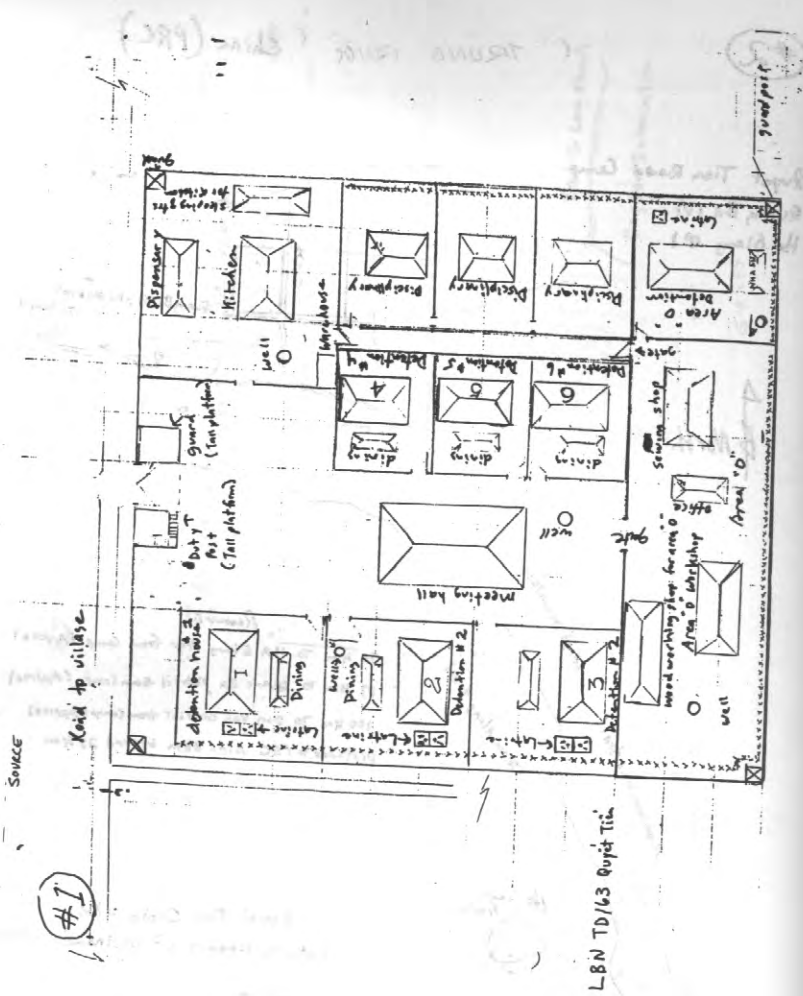
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- 21,028/DC-2
SUBJ: VM REFUGEE IN MACAO
REFS: A. DIA/DC-2 MSG 251710Z JUN 85, SAB
B. USDAO BEIJING MSG 181000Z JUL 85, SAB
- REF A REQUESTED YOUR OFFICE BE ALERT TO ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM VM REFUGEE SOURCE PRESENTLY LOCATED IN MACAO. REF B REPORTED LETTER FROM BAO RECEIVED AT YOUR OFFICE AND WOULD BE FORWARDED TO DC-2.
 - REFERENCED LETTER DATED 3 JUL 85 ARRIVED AT DC-2; HOWEVER, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE SOURCE OF THE LETTER IS THE LETTER WRITER INTRODUCES HIMSELF AS NAME WHO CLAIMS TO BE TEMPORARILY LIVING IN THE FANG CHENG REFUGEE CENTER IN THE PRC. HE ALSO CLAIMS TO BE A FORMER GRADUATE OF THE SECURITY OFFICER DEPARTMENT (LIKELY THE PUBLIC SECURITY SERVICE) IN 1979. THE BIOGRAPHIC DATA PROVIDED BY SC WHO ALSO CLAIMS TO BE A PSS GRADUATE, DOES NOT MATCH THE LIMITED INFORMATION PROVIDED BY N IT APPEARS, THEREFORE, THAT THE LETTER SENT TO DC-2 DID NOT ORIGINATE FROM SC WHO AS OF THE DATE OF THE LETTER WAS IN MACAO.
 - REQUEST YOU REVIEW YOUR FILES FOR ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM SOURCE WHICH SHOULD HAVE ORIGINATED FROM THE ISLAND OF TAIPA, MACAO.
 - REQUEST YOU ALSO ADVISE DC-2 OF YOUR ABILITY TO CONTACT AND INTERVIEW VM REFUGEE NAME WHO INDICATED IN HIS LETTER THAT HE HAS INFORMATION REGARDING U.S. PW'S BEING HELD IN SECRET CAMPS IN VIETNAM. IN THE EVENT YOUR OFFICE CAN INTERVIEW N REQUEST FULL DETAILS OF HIS KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. PW'S TO INCLUDE NAMES, PLACES, DATES AND DETAILED SKETCHES OF THE AREAS IN WHICH THEY ARE ALLEGEDLY HELD. ALSO OF IMPORTANCE IS COMPLETE BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON NAME.
 - POC AT DIA/DC-2 IS RICHARD CONOBOY. BT

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DC-2 FOR RICHARD CONOBOY
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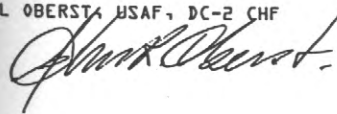
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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

- REFS: A. USDAO BEIJING MSG DTG 120628Z MAR 82
B. DIA/DC-2 MSG DTG 011801Z AUG 85
C. JCRC LNB MSG DTG 050240Z AUG 85, SUBJ: JCRC REPORT M85-051
- REF A MSG FORWARDED RESULTS OF THE DEBRIEFING OF PASSENGERS AND CREW ON BOARD A UH-1H HELICOPTER WHICH FLED FROM VIETNAM (SRV) TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) IN SEP 81 AND WERE INTERVIEWED BY JCRC IN EARLY 1982. THE MSG INCLUDED STATEMENTS FROM *Source* CONCERNING HEARSAY OF U.S. PWS HE CLAIMED TO HAVE OBTAINED FROM FORMER COMMANDOS WHILE ON PW WORK DETAILS WITH THEM AT QUYET TIEN PRISON, SRV, IN LATE 1977/EARLY 1978. REF B FORWARDED DIA/NMIC/V0/DC-2

SEDGWICK TOURISON/44708/12AUG85/PFD

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RESULTS OF THE RECENT DIA/DC-2 INTERVIEW OF THREE FORMER OPS 34A
 COMMANDOS, ONE OF WHOM WAS IMPRISONED AT QUYET TIEN PRISON IN 1978
 WITH THE CONTINGENT OF FORMER REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ARMED FORCES
 (RVNAF) PWS. REF B ALSO INCLUDED INFORMATION FROM FORMER OPS 34A
 COMMANDO *NAME* WHO STATED THAT *source* WAS A FORMER
 CIVIL ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE FORMER GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
 VIETNAM (GVN) ACCORDING TO STATEMENTS HE MADE TO HIM AND OTHER
 INMATES WHILE AT QUYET TIEN. {DC-2 COMMENT: AS NOTED IN REF B,
NAME REVIEWED A PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTING THE INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWED IN
 1982 AT BEIJING, PRC, AND CLAIMING TO BE *source*. *NAME*
 STATED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HE OBSERVED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH APPEARED TO
 BE *source*. AS REPORTED IN REF A, *source* STATED TO
 INTERVIEWERS IN BEIJING THAT HE IS A FORMER PRIVATE CIVILIAN
 CONTRACTOR.} REF C FORWARDED THE RESULTS OF JCRC INTERVIEW OF *NAME*
NAME, FORMER GVN FINANCE MINISTRY EMPLOYEE, DETAINED AT QUYET TIEN
 IN 1977-78, AND INTERVIEWED AT PULAU BIDONG, MY, ON 11 JUN 85. REF C
 SUGGESTS *NAME* IS KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING THE IDENTITY OF
 GVN/RVNAF PERSONNEL IMPRISONED WITH COMMANDOS AT QUYET TIEN IN
 1977-78.

2. REQUEST *NAME* BE REINTERVIEWED CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING

ASPECTS OF HIS DETENTION AT QUYET TIEN PRISON:

- A. WHAT WAS THE FUNCTION OF QUYET TIEN PRISON WHILE HE WAS
 DETAINED THERE?
 - B. FROM WHICH PRISONS HAD THE RVNAF/GVN PRISONERS COME FROM TO
 QUYET TIEN? WHY DID THEY LEAVE WHEN THEY DID?
 - C. DETERMINE SOURCE'S KNOWLEDGEABILITY OF THE BACKGROUND OF
source AND HIS REEDUCATION CAMP CHRONOLOGY. DETERMINE THROUGH
 PHOTOGRAPH IDENTIFICATION IF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS IDENTIFIED
 HIMSELF TO JCRC AT BEIJING IS IN FACT *source*. IF SO, WHEN AND
 UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES WAS *source* RELEASED FROM THANH CAN PRISON?
 - D. WHAT ACCOUNTS CONCERNING THE INCARCERATION OF THE COMMANDOS
 DID *source* HEAR WHILE AT QUYET TIEN? WERE THE COMMANDOS SAID TO
 HAVE BEEN IMPRISONED WITH AMERICANS? IF SO, TO WHOM CAN THESE
 REMARKS BE ATTRIBUTED? WHO AMONG THE GVN/RVNAF PW CONTINGENT HAD
 CONTACT WITH THE COMMANDOS?
3. DC-2 COMMENT: REF B ALSO PROVIDES BACKGROUND ON THE FUNCTION
 OF THE QUYET TIEN PRISON DURING 1977-78 AS OBTAINED FROM *NAME*
NAME
4. POC IN DIA/DC-2 IS SEDGWICK TOURISON.

BEGAN TO SEARCH FOR INFORMATION OF MISSING AMERICANS. NAME SHARED HIS INFORMATION WITH SOURCE IN ORDER TO OBTAIN SOURCE'S HELP IN GETTING THE INFORMATION TO THE US GOVERNMENT. NAME GAVE SOURCE FOUR DOG TAGS AND FOUR MOLARS AND ALLOWED SOURCE TO VIEW A POTTERY URN WHICH WAS FULL OF WHAT HE CLAIMED WERE REMAINS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DOG TAGS. SOURCE RECALLED LOOKING INTO THE URN AND SEEING AN ASSORTMENT OF REMAINS WHICH WERE WHITE IN COLOR AND DID NOT APPEAR TO BE BROKEN UP. NAME TOLD SOURCE THAT THE REMAINS HAD BEEN DISCOVERED IN THE BAN ME THUOT AREA BY HIMSELF, A MAN NAME (ADDRESS NOT RELATED TO SOURCE) AND ONE OTHER INDIVIDUAL (NOT IDENTIFIED) AND THAT ALL FOUR REMAINS HAD COME FROM THE SAME GENERAL AREA. NOTHING MORE CONCERNING THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF DISCOVERY WAS RELATED TO SOURCE.

4. APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK LATER, SOURCE WROTE THE INFORMATION FROM THE FOUR DOG TAGS ON THE INTERIOR OF A CLOTHING GARMENT OF A CHILD OF A WOMAN NAMED (FULL NAME NOT RECALLED) WHO WAS SOON TO DEPART VIETNAM UNDER THE ORDERLY DEPARTURE PROGRAM TO RESETTLE POSSIBLY IN CALIFORNIA. SOURCE RECALLED THE WOMAN WAS TRAVELLING ONLY WITH HER TWO CHILDREN AND WENT TO BANGKOK ON 19 MAY 1985. NAME WAS NOT GIVEN THE TEETH BUT SHE DID AGREE TO PASS THE INFORMATION TO THE USC. THE PLAN WAS FOR TRANG TO REPORT THE INFORMATION AND TO FIND OUT IF ANY OF THE FOUR NAMES WERE ACTUALLY MISSING AMERICANS, AND IF THEY WERE, SHE WAS TO WRITE TO SOURCE'S BROTHER,

AND SOURCE'S DAUGHTER, NAME LIVING AT DATA WHO WERE TO WRITE BACK TO SOURCE IN VIETNAM, WHEREUPON HE WOULD CONTACT THE WIFE OF NAME (STILL LIVING AT POSSIBLY HOUSE NUMBER DATA, KHANH HOI, DISTRICT 4, HCMC) WHO IS ALSO AN ODP APPLICANT. SHE WOULD THEN PREPARE A LACQUER-WARE PICTURE BY DRILLING OUT FOUR HOLES IN WHICH TO SMUGGLE OUT THE FOUR MOLARS. SOURCE THEN HAD THE CHANCE TO ESCAPE FROM VIETNAM AND TURNED OVER HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW, NAME OF DATA WARD 8, TAN BINH DISTRICT, HCMC. SOURCE THEN RETURNED THE FOUR MOLARS TO NAME. SOURCE RECALLED NAME MOTIVATION FOR ASSISTING HAVING BEEN BASED ON HER DESIRE FOR HER PARENTS TO LEAVE VIETNAM WHEN THE US RETURNED TO BRING OUT THE REMAINS. SOURCE DID NOT RECALL ANY INFORMATION FROM THE DOG TAGS. SOURCE REQUESTED INTERVIEWER PROVIDE HIM WITH THE RESULTS OF THE DOG TAG INFORMATION INVESTIGATION (WHETHER OR NOT ACTUAL HIA CASES).

5. NOTE: REF C REPORTED THE RESULTS OF JCRC INTER-

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EZ2:
CITE: 3472 AUG 85
SUBJ: JCRC REPORT M85-051, PLANS TO SMUGGLE REMAINS OR VIEW WITH ODP APPLICANT WHO REPORTS DOG TAG INFORMATION OF FOUR INDIVIDUALS WHICH SHE CLAIMED WAS PASSED TO HER BY A MAN NAMED NAME WHO LIVED AT DATA HCMC.

6. SOURCE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING QUYET TIEN PRISON. THE QUYET TIEN PRISON CAMP WAS LOCATED NEAR QUYET TIEN (V), MEO VAC (D), HA TUYEN (P) AND WAS LOCATED ON THE TOP OF A MOUNTAIN OF 1147 METERS ELEVATION. THE CAMP WAS APPROXIMATELY FOUR KILOMETERS FROM THE CHINESE/VIETNAMESE BORDER (AS THE CROW FLIES). SOURCE RECALLED THERE WAS ONLY ONE ROAD LEADING INTO THE CAMP WHICH WAS BORDERED ON BOTH SIDES BY A TALL MOUNTAIN, GIVING THE APPEARANCE TO ONE WHO ENTERED THE AREA THAT HE WAS PASSING THROUGH A GIANT GATE, HENCE THE CAMP NICKNAME "CONG TROI", MEANING GATE TO THE SKY.

7. SOURCE WAS HELD IN QUYET TIEN FROM 25 DECEMBER 1977 UNTIL HIS TRANSFER TO THANH CAM 90A IN AUGUST 1978. THE CAMP COMMANDER WAS CAPTAIN LANG WHO WAS APPROX 40-45 YOA AT THAT TIME. THE MAJORITY OF THE CAMP CADRE WERE PEOPLE FROM THE TAY, THAI AND MEO ETHNIC MINORITIES. SOURCE WAS HELD WITH APPROX 15-16 COMMANDOS, SOME OF WHOM HE HAS FORGOTTEN THEIR NAMES, BUT HE DID RECALL THE FOLLOWING COMMANDOS:

- NGUYEN VAN LUYEN, CAPTAIN, TEAM LEADER, DATE OF CAPTURE: 1961, APPROX 52-53 YOA;
- NGUYEN VAN HINH, 2LT, CAPTURED IN 1963, APPROX 45 YOA;
- KHOAN, SGT, CAPTURED IN 1962, APPROX 45 YOA;
- TAM, SGT, APPROX 50;
- TO, SGT, APPROX 50 YOA;
- THANH, SGT, APPROX 42 YOA;
- THANG, SGT, APPROX 50 YOA;

- TUNG, SGT, APPROX 40 YOA;
 - HINH, SGT, APPROX 50 YOA;
 - DINH, SGT, APPROX 40 YOA;
 - THUY, SGT, APPROX 42-45 YOA;
 - QUANG, SGT, APPROX 40 YOA.

JCRC NOTE: ALL ABOVE AGES WERE COMPUTED BY SOURCE AS PRESENT AGE IN 1985.

8. IN AUGUST 1978, SOURCE AND THE 47 FELLOW POLITICAL PRISONERS JOINED WITH APPROX 50 COMMANDOS, BOARDED TWO TRUCKS AND WERE TRANSFERRED. SOURCE ONLY RECALLS COMING TO AN INTERSECTION PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THANH CAM WHERE THE TRUCK CARRYING THE COMMANDOS SPLIT OFF AND DID NOT GO TO THANH CAM AS DID SOURCE. SOURCE WAS ALLOWED NO CONTACT WITH THE COMMANDOS WHILE IN QUYET TIEN BUT RECALLS HEARING THEY WERE HELD IN VERY CROWDED CELLS WHICH RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF 20 OR 30 OF THEM. THE BODIES OF COMMANDOS WHO DIED IN QUYET TIEN WERE BURIED ON THE BA THEN HILL BEHIND THE CAMP, WHICH WAS SO-NAMED AFTER THE NAME OF A LOCAL ETHNIC MEO TRIBESMAN. SOURCE ALSO HEARD THAT AT THE TIME OF THEIR TRANSFER, APPROX 7-8 COMMANDOS WERE LEFT BEHIND IN QUYET TIEN. CADRE EXPLAINED THEY WOULD BE MOVED TO JOIN THE OTHERS LATER.

9. SOURCE ALSO RECALLED THE NAMES AND POSITIONS OF 45 "POLITICAL" INMATES WITH WHOM HE WAS HELD IN QUYET TIEN (LIST TO BE FORWARDED SEPARATELY). THE INMATES OF SOURCE'S ELEMENT WERE ALL ETHNIC SOUTHERNERS WHO HAD BEEN MOVED SEPARATELY FROM SEVERAL DIFFERENT CAMPS IN THE SOUTH. MANY OF THE GROUP WERE FORMER RVNAF CAPTAINS AND MAJORS, BUT THE GROUP ALSO INCLUDED CIVILIANS AND APPROX 12 RVNAF CHAPLAINS. SOURCE NEVER HEARD OF A QUYET TIEN OR B AS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AND STATED THERE IS ONLY ONE QUYET TIEN CAMP.

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CITE: 3362 JUN 85.

SURJ: VN REFUGEES IN MACAU

REF: USDAO BEIJING MSG, DTG 120620Z MAR 82, SURJ: DEBRIEF
 OF VIETNAMESE OFFICERS/ESCAPEES

1. DURING RECENT INTERVIEW TRIP TO HONG KONG/MACAU, JCRC REP MR. BELL AGAIN INQUIRED CONCERNING ACCESS TO APPROX 55 VN REFUGEES WHO ARE BEING HELD IN THE POLICE DETENTION AREA ON THE ISLAND OF TAIPA, MACAU. AFTER COMPLETING NORMAL REFUGEE INTERVIEWS IN KAMU CAMP, CALOAGNE ISLAND, JCRC REP WAS PERMITTED TO VISIT THE POLICE DETENTION AREA WHERE THESE REFUGEES HAVE BEEN HELD FOR OVER A YEAR. UPON ENTERING THE CAMP GATE, ONE REFUGEE, FORMER PUBLIC SECURITY CAPTAIN SOURCE (PARA 2, REF MSG), RECOGNIZED THE JCRC REP AND BEGAN TO PLEAD FOR HELP. SC STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN PRESENT IN THE CAMP DURING THE MARCH 1985 VISIT BY THE JCRC REP BUT HAD BEEN IN THE SHOWER (COMMENT: SOURCE HAD AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO COME FORWARD DURING THE MARCH VISIT SINCE THE CAMP IS SMALL AND THE INTERVIEWER WAS PRESENT FOR OVER ONE HOUR. SOURCE PROBABLY INTENDED TO CONCEAL HIS PUBLIC SECURITY BACKGROUND AND KNEW THAT THE INTERVIEWER WOULD RECOGNIZE HIM). SOURCE THEN STATED THAT HE HAD DECIDED TO WAIT FOR

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IN THE RVN BY SURNAME AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL. SOURCE STATED THAT THE DATA WAS FED INTO TWO MODEL MK240 (POSSIBLY KM240) COMPUTERS WHICH BELONGED TO THE NATIONAL SCIENCE COMMITTEE. SOURCE STATED THAT THE PROJECT WAS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF DR NGUYEN THE TUNG, THE CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT KE, (ECONOMIC SECURITY) (CIC BAO VE KINH TE) WHO WAS ACTING CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT KH2 (CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT) (CIC HINH SU) IN PLACE OF HG TRAM LUNG WHO HAD BEEN TEMPORARILY ASSIGNED TO SOUTHERN VIETNAM. SOURCE STATED THAT THE COMPUTERS HAD BEEN USED FOR ANALYZING SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE (TIMH BAO TIEN KHONG). SOURCE STATED THAT THE OFFICE WHERE THE COMPUTERS WERE LOCATED WAS ON TRAN NHAM TUNG STREET ACROSS FROM THE LENIN PARK (WJ 882238) IN HANOI. SOURCE RECALLED THAT ANOTHER MEMBER OF KH2 AT THAT TIME WAS LTC NGUYEN THANH, APPROX 45-50 YOA NATIVE OF HANGT. SOURCE DESCRIBED LTC THANH AS BEING SHORT, SLIM, AND HAVING A DARK COMPLEXION. SOURCE RECALLED THAT LTC THANH RESIDED WITH HIS WIFE AND ONE DAUGHTER IN THE HO TAY AREA OF HANOI. SOURCE STATED THAT LTC THANH HAD BEEN SENT TO TAY NINH DURING THE MID 1960'S (POSS 1965) AND HAD WORKED THERE DISPATCHING AGENTS INTO SAIGON. THANH RETURNED TO RESIDE IN HANOI

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SHORTLY AFTER "LTBERAITUN" IN 1975 ACCORDING TO SOURCE.

5. COMMENT: THE INTERVIEWER HAD ONLY BRIEF ACCESS TO SOURCE SINCE THE INTERVIEWER WAS IN THE POLICE DETENTION CAMP WITHOUT FORMAL INTERVIEW APPROVAL WHICH IS STILL PENDING. THE INTERVIEWER WAS ALLOWED ACCESS TO THE CAMP BASED ON A REQUEST BY FATHER LANCELLOT RODRIGUEZ, THE DIRECTOR OF CRS-USCC IN MACAU. IF FORMAL APPROVAL FOR INTERVIEWING IS GRANTED PRIOR TO THE NEXT INTERVIEW TRIP, THE INTERVIEWER MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INTERVIEW OF THIS SOURCE. IN THE INTERIM HOWEVER, SOURCE AND THE OTHER APPROX 55 REFUGEES CURRENTLY BEING HELD MAY BE REPATRIATED TO THE PRC.

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DC-2 FOR RICHARD CONOBOY

CITE 1119/505-2

SUBJ: VN REFUGEE IN MACAU

REF: DIA/DC-2/ 251701Z JUN 85

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SUBJECT: REINTERVIEW OF VN REFUGEE SOURCE

REF: A. JCRC MSG RPT M85-051, DTG 050240Z AUG 85.
 B. USDAO BANGKOK MSG, DTG 040421Z MAR 82.
 C. DIA/DC-2 MSG, DTG 011801Z AUG 85.
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1. REF A REPORTED RESULTS OF INITIAL INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT REFUGEE AND IDENTIFIED HIM AS A FORMER INMATE OF QUYET TIEN PRISON. REF B PROVIDED RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF SOURCE. REF C REQUESTED REINTERVIEW OF REFUGEE TO OBTAIN HIS KNOWLEDGEABILITY OF SOURCE. REF D REQUESTED REINTERVIEW OF SUBJECT REFUGEE CONCERNING QUYET TIEN PRISON AND NAME.

2. DURING RECENT INTERVIEW TRIP TO GALANG, WE DISCOVERED SOURCE WAS RESETTLED TO THE U.S., BUT SOURCE WAS REINTERVIEWED IN THE ABOVE REFS. THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS REPORT THE RESULTS OF THAT REINTERVIEW WHICH OCCURRED ON 31 AUGUST 1985 AT GALANG AND WAS CONDUCTED BY THOMAS R. MCKAY.

3. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS RELATED BY SOURCE TO INTERVIEWER AS FACT. THE FUNCTION OF QUYET TIEN WAS TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM SECURITY FOR COMMANDOS AND THE FORMER RVN POLITICAL FIGURES DEEMED DANGEROUS BY THE COMMUNISTS. THEY WERE HELD IN QUYET TIEN BECAUSE OF ITS STRINGENT SECURITY AND ISOLATED AUSTERE ENVIRONMENT. AT LEAST 20 PEOPLE WERE TRANSFERRED TO QUYET TIEN FROM NAM HA, BUT OTHERS WERE TRANSFERRED FROM QUANG BINH. IN AUGUST 1978, ALL INMATES WERE MOVED TO EITHER THANH CAM OR THANH PHONG. THE COMMANDOS WENT TO THANH PHONG. THE EVACUATION WAS NECESSARY TO AVOID THE IMPENDING ATTACK OF CHINESE FORCES. CONCERNING SOURCE, SOURCE IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZED THE NAME AND CORRECTLY IDENTIFIED SOURCE FROM A GROUP PHOTO. HE FIRST MET SOURCE IN NAM HA, WHERE THEY WERE BOTH INMATES OF 8-B OR AREA B. BOTH WERE TRANSFERRED TO QUYET TIEN AT THE SAME TIME. SOURCE WAS HELD IN QUYET TIEN WITH SOURCE AS SOURCE WAS ONE OF THE 48 POLITICAL PRISONERS, AS WAS SOURCE. THEY WERE BOTH TRANSFERRED TO THANH CAM IN AUG 78. SOURCE WAS RELEASED FROM RE-ED IN LATE 1980 OR EARLY 1981. SOURCE TOLD SOURCE DURING THEIR JOINT CONFINEMENT THAT HE WAS AN ARCHITECT. HIS FAMILY WAS ENTIRELY NORTHERN VIETNAMESE BUT HE WAS THE ONLY ONE OF THE FAMILY TO GO SOUTH IN 1954. HIS FATHER WAS A NORTHERN DISTRICT CHIEF DURING THE ERA OF FRENCH DOMINATION. SOURCE SPEAKS THE CENTRAL DIALECT OF VIETNAMESE, AND UPON BEING ASKED, SOURCE TOLD SOURCE HIS FAMILY WAS ORIGINALLY FROM CENTRAL VIETNAM BUT HAD MOVED NORTH TO ACCEPT THE DISTRICT CHIEF POSITION. HE ALSO TOLD SOURCE HE HAD MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO WERE WORKING FOR THE SPY PUBLIC SECURITY SERVICE IN NORTH VIETNAM. HE TOLD SOURCE HE WAS ARRESTED

DUE TO ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE FROM VIETNAM, NOT BECAUSE HE WORKED FOR THE RVN. OTHER INMATES TOLD SOURCE SOURCE WAS ARRESTED FOR BEING A CONFIDENCE MAN, AS HE WAS INVOLVED IN FALSELY ORGANIZING BOAT ESCAPES, TAKING PAYMENT AND DISAPPEARING. AFTER THEIR TRANSFER TO THANH CAM, FROM 231800 AUG 78 UNTIL APRIL 1980, SOURCE WAS MANAGED IN ISOLATION AND HAD NO CONTACT WITH SOURCE. UPON HIS RELEASE FROM ISOLATION, OTHER INMATES ADVISED SOURCE TO NOT SPEAK TO SOURCE AS HE WAS DISCOVERED BY THEM TO BE AN INFORMANT FOR THEIR CAPTORS. SOURCE HAD NO FURTHER CONTACT WITH SOURCE.

4. LATER, ALSO AT THANH CAM, SOURCE HEARD THAT TAKEN A HELICOPTER AND HAD ESCAPED TO CHINA. SOURCE TOLD SOURCE THEY HAD HEARD THE NEWS ON THE RADIO DURING AN APPROXIMATE TWO WEEK BROADCAST FROM CHINA ON WHICH SOURCE SPOKE OUT AGAINST THE GUARDS SPECIFICALLY OF THE THANH CAM CAMP. THEY ALSO SAID SOURCE WAS ONE OF A SMALL GROUP WHO HAD ESCAPED VIA HELICOPTER. SOURCE ALSO HEARD THE CAMP THAT ALL SOURCE FAMILY WERE COMMUNIST AND THAT SOURCE WAS ARRESTED IN 1976-1977. SOURCE TOLD SOURCE THAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TAKEOVER, HE DROVE A JEEP TO HANOI TO VISIT THE HOUSEHOLD OF HO CHI MINH. HIS MOTHER CURRENTLY LIVES SOMEWHERE IN HANOI AND HE WAS RELEASED FROM THANH CAM DUE TO THE SPONSORSHIP OF HIS FAMILY. (NOTE: SOURCE CLEARLY DISPLAYED SKEPTICISM OF THE POSSIBILITY OF A TRUE REFUGEE BEING ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY FLEE FROM VIETNAM VIA STOLEN HELICOPTER, AND FOUND IT STRANGE THE TWO WEEK BROADCAST SPECIFICALLY BY

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SUBJECT: REINTERVIEW OF VN REFUGEE *SPURC*

TARGETING THE GUARDS AT THAM CAN. SOURCE SUSPECTED THE ESCAPE WAS SBY SPONSORED.)

5. SOURCE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON CAMP CHRONOLOGY. HE WAS FIRST HELD IN PHAN DANG LIU UNTIL HIS TRANSFER TO GIA HAI 230A. SC FIRST MET NAME UPON SOURCE'S ARRIVAL AT 230A IN FEB 1977. WHEN NAME MOVED TO THE CAMP KITCHEN IN APRIL 1977, SOURCE AND NAME WERE MOVED TO HON HA, THEN QUYET TIEN AND THAM CAN. SOURCE NEVER SAW OR HEARD ANYTHING OF THE COMMANDOS BEING HELD WITH AMERICAN PRISONERS. ALL POLITICAL INMATES (INCLUDING SOURCE) HAD NO OFFICIAL CONTACT WITH THE COMMANDOS AND COULD ONLY SPEAK WHILE PASSING EACH OTHER EN ROUTE TO LABOR, ETC. SOURCE OPINED THAT THE STORY OF NAME BEING AN RVN OFFICIAL WAS TYPICAL OF NAME DECEITFUL PERSONALITY BUT HAD PERSONALLY NEVER HEARD IT HIMSELF. STATING NAME DARE NOT TELL ANYONE IN THE GROUP OF POLITICAL PRISONERS BECAUSE OF THE RVN POLITICAL POSITIONS BEING A QUITE CLOSE FRATERNITY. SOURCE RECALLED COMMANDOS QUANG, CONG THAM, TUNG AND DE (NGO OR HONG, UNKNOWN), AS REPORTED IN REF A AND RECALLED THAT NGUYEN VAN HINH WAS PROBABLY HONG VAN HINH. SOURCE RECALLED NAME HAD MET A FIRST PERSONAL FRIEND NAMED EITHER NAME OR NAME BUT THEY HAD ONLY MET IN QUYET TIEN AS NAME WAS TRANSFERRED TO QUYET TIEN FROM QUANG HINH. MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO HAVE BEEN MOVED NORTH TOGETHER. SOURCE HAD NEVER HEARD OF NAME BROTHER, NAME

6. COMMENTS. SOURCE APPEARED TO BE A VERY INTELLIGENT WELL MANNERED GENTLEMAN WHO SEEMED TO BE MUCH MORE A DIPLOMAT THAN POLITICIAN. HE SEEMED TO HAVE EXCELLENT RECALL AND MADE STATEMENTS WITH THE FINALITY OF CONFIDENCE THAT GIVES ONE THE IMPRESSION HIS CONFIDENCE HAS GROWN FROM YEARS OF BEING RIGHT.

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- REF A STATES THAT THE SOURCE OF THE LETTER SIGNED BY NAME IS NAME REF REQUESTS USDAO BEIJING TO REVIEW OUR FILES FOR OTHER CORRESPONDENCE FROM NAME AND TO ADVISE DC-2 ON OUR ABILITY TO INTERVIEW NAME
- REF B REQUESTS STATUS OF NAME INTERVIEW. REF C REPORTS THAT AN INTERVIEW WAS NOT POSSIBLE BECAUSE ALL OF THE REFUGEES WHO WERE BEING HELD NAME AND NAME (INCLUDED) HAD BEEN REPATRIATED BACK TO THE PRC FROM MACAO. ALL EFFORTS BY THE US EMBASSY IN BEIJING TO GAIN ACCESS TO REPATRIATED REFUGEES FROM SOUTH EAST ASIA HAVE BEEN REFUSED, UP UNTIL THIS TIME, BY THE PRC GOVERNMENT. A SEARCH OF THE EMBASSY FILES FOUND NO ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE FROM NAME
- FOR ANALYST THANK YOU FOR THE RESPONSE CONTAINED IN REF D. THE BUSINESSMAN CONCERNED IS A MR TERRY FOLEY, WHO REPRESENTS AN AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE IN BEIJING. THERE IS NO FURTHER INFORMATION ON HIS SOURCES IN VIETNAM. MR FOLEY HAS NO OBJECTION TO HIS NAME BEING USED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SUBJECT.

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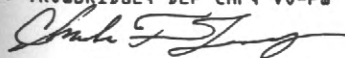
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REFUGEE SOURCE

1. REF MSG IS ANOTHER OUTSTANDING EXAMPLE OF A DETAILED
INTERVIEW PROVIDING THE LEVEL OF DETAIL NECESSARY TO SUPPORT
DIA/VO-PW ANALYSIS OF PW/MIA REPORTING. OUR APPRECIATION TO
MCKAY FOR ANOTHER JOB WELL DONE.

2. REF MSG FORWARDED RESULTS OF REINTERVIEW OF SOURCE
A FORMER INMATE OF THE VIETNAMESE PRISON SYSTEM, IMPRISONED
DIA/NMIC/VO/VO-PW

SEDGWICK TOURISON/44708/19SEP85/BT

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DURING 1977-81 WITH *NAME* *NAME* IS ONE OF THE TEN VIETNAMEE NATIONALS WHO FLED BY UH-1H HELICOPTER FROM VIETNAM TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN THE FALL OF 1981. *NAME* SOURCE IDENTIFIED *NAME* THRU A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN OF HIM IN BEIJING, PRC, IN 1982, AS THE SAME *NAME* WITH WHOM HE WAS IMPRISONED DURING 1977-81. MR. SOURCE ALSO STATED THAT *NAME* CLAIMED WHILE IN PRISON TO HAVE MANY FAMILY MEMBERS WHO WERE OFFICIALS IN THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) PUBLIC SECURITY SERVICE, THAT OTHER INMATES AT THANH CAM PRISON IN 1978 IDENTIFIED *NAME* AS AN ACTIVE INFORMANT ON OTHER INMATES TO THANH CAM PRISON STAFF, THAT INMATES AT THANH CAM PRISON BELIEVED *NAME* ARRANGED HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF MEMBERS OF HIS "FAMILY" SERVING WITH THE SRV SECURITY SERVICES, AND THANH CAM PRISON INMATES BELIEVED THE INFORMATION BROADCAST ON PRC RADIO CONCERNING THE 1981 HELICOPTER FLIGHT CAUSED THEM TO CONCLUDE IT MUST HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT WITH OFFICIAL VIETNAMESE (SRV) SPONSORSHIP. (VO-PW COMMENT: *NAME* HAS NOT ALWAYS BEEN A RELIABLE REPORTER. *NAME* STATED TO THE JCRC INTERVIEWER AT BEIJING IN 1982 AND TO SOURCE IN 1977/78 THAT HE WAS AN ARCHITECT/PRIVATE CONTRACTOR. *NAME* TOLD AN OPS 34A COMMANDO IN

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1978 AT QUYET TIEN PRISON HE WAS A GVN MINISTRY OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION OFFICIAL.)

3. AT LEAST THREE MEMBERS OF THE TEN PERSON GROUP ON BOARD THE VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE HELICOPTER WHICH FLEW TO THE PRC IN 1981 CLAIMED TO HAVE PW/MIA TYPE INFORMATION. FOR EXAMPLE, *NAME* CLAIMED DURING HIS 1982 JCRC INTERVIEW IN BEIJING THAT OPS 34A COMMANDOS IMPRISONED WITH HIM AT QUYET TIEN IN 1978 TOLD HIM U.S. PWS WERE BEING HELD OUTSIDE HANOI IN 1977. (THIS ACCOUNT HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF EARLIER VO-PW ANALYTICAL COMMENTS. VO-PW DETERMINED THAT THE VN COMMANDOS WITH WHOM HE CLAIMED TO HAVE SPOKEN WERE AT THANH TRI PRISON WITH U.S. PWS ONLY PRIOR TO 1970. THE FACILITY *NAME* DESCRIBED AND ATTRIBUTED TO HEARSAY ACCOUNTS FROM THE OPS 34A COMMANDOS CORRELATES WELL WITH THANH TRI PRISON.) IN ADDITION, *NAME* HAS ADVISED THAT THE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SRV SECURITY SERVICES PROVIDED BY ONE OF THE HELICOPTER PASSENGERS, *NAME* (A PUBLIC SECURITY OFFICER AND *NAME* BROTHER, IS SERIOUSLY FLAWED. (VO-PW COMMENT: DURING THE 1982 JCRC INTERVIEW IN BEIJING, *NAME* CLAIMED HE HAD CONTACT WITH U.S. PWS DURING THE WAR WHILE SERVING AS A STENOGRAPHER DURING INTERROGATION SESSIONS OF U.S. PWS AT HOA LO PRISON. WHILE THIS

CLAIM CANNOT BE DISMISSED. IT SHOULD BE KEPT IN MIND THAT [REDACTED] IS NOT A RELIABLE REPORTER REGARDING HIS OWN SECURITY SERVICES AND MAY NOT BE A RELIABLE REPORTER IN OTHER AREAS.]

4. INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM DEBRIEFINGS OF SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS OTHER THAN *Source* WHO WERE WITH OR HEARD OF [REDACTED] DURING 1978-81 VERIFY THAT HE WAS IN THE PRISON SYSTEM IN NORTH VIETNAM DURING THIS PERIOD. *Source* REPORT THAT *NAME* *NAME* WAS IMPRISONED IN SOUTHERN VIETNAM IN 1977 AT A PRISON CAMP REFERRED TO AS GIA RAI (AKA Z3DA AKA K3) LOCATED IN DONG NAI PROVINCE, A KNOWN MINISTRY OF INTERIOR PRISON, ON CHARGES OF ORGANIZING BOGUS BOAT ESCAPES, APPEARS TO BE ONE OF THE MORE INTERESTING OF HIS SIDE LINES BUT MUST BE VIEWED AS UNSUBSTANTIATED AT PRESENT. HOWEVER, IT DOES APPEAR CLEAR THAT THE FLIGHT OF THE HELICOPTER WITH ITS GROUP OF TEN ESSENTIALLY ETHNIC CHINESE NATIVES OF VIETNAM SHOULD BE VIEWED WITH SOME CONSIDERABLE SUSPICION REGARDING MOTIVES THEY CLAIMED IN LIGHT OF THE POSSIBLE SRV SPONSORSHIP AND STAGING OF THE ENTIRE EVENT.

5. DC-2 ALSO NOTES INFORMATION PROVIDED BY [REDACTED] THAT ALL ETHNIC CHINESE PILOTS WITHIN THE VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE WERE PLACED ON GROUND STATUS IN THE SPRING OF 1979 PRIOR TO THE

VIETNAM/CHINA BORDER HOSTILITIES AND WERE REASSIGNED OUTSIDE THE AIR FORCE IN THE FALL OF 1979. SINCE THE THREE VIETNAMESE AIR FORCE PERSONNEL ON THE HELICOPTER WHICH FLEW TO CHINA WERE ETHNICALLY CHINESE, WE VIEW THE PILOT'S CLAIMS THAT HE PARTICIPATED IN AIR OPERATIONS INSIDE CAMBODIA, VIETNAM, AND LAOS SUBSEQUENT TO THE FALL OF 1979 AND UNTIL 1981 WITH SOME SKEPTICISM. THE PILOT ALSO REPORTED PW/MIA INFORMATION OF QUESTIONABLE VALIDITY WHICH HE OSTENTIVELY OBTAINED FROM CONVERSATIONS HE OVERHEARD BETWEEN SENIOR OFFICERS HE CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN TRANSPORTING DURING THE PERIOD.

6. WE ARE UNABLE TO STATE CATEGORICALLY THAT THE HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO CHINA WAS SPONSORED BY THE VIETNAMESE. WE ARE ALSO UNABLE TO STATE CATEGORICALLY THAT THEIR PW/MIA INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO U.S. OFFICIALS AS AN ACT OF DELIBERATE DISINFORMATION CONCERNING THE PW/MIA ISSUE. WE ARE, HOWEVER, PERMITTED TO CONCLUDE THAT THIS HELICOPTER DID DEPART VIETNAM AND FLEW TO CHINA UNDER CONDITIONS WHICH OUR AVAILABLE ANALYSIS SUGGESTS COULD NOT HAVE OCCURRED IN THE MANNER THEY DESCRIBED. IN ADDITION, THREE OF THE SOURCES INTERVIEWED IN BEIJING IN 1982 PROVIDED INFORMATION CONCERNING BOTH THEIR OWN BACKGROUNDS AND THE PW/MIA ISSUE WHICH CONTAIN SERIOUS

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FACTUAL INACCURACIES. VO-PW ALSO NOTES THAT THE THREE SOURCES OF GREATEST INTEREST TO U.S. INTELLIGENCE

AND THE HELICOPTER PILOT), WERE IN FACT INTERVIEWED AFTER THEIR FLIGHT TO THE PRC AND THEIR INFORMATION SOON BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF NATIONAL LEVEL U.S. AGENCIES. AT LEAST TWO OF THE SOURCES,

HAVE CLEARLY ESTABLISHED LINKS WITH THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM INTELLIGENCE SERVICES (SRVIS).

{VO-PW COMMENT: VO-PW HAS IDENTIFIED OTHER INSTANCES WHERE THE SRVIS IS EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY LINKED WITH DISINFORMATION REGARDING THE PW/MIA ISSUE, NORMALLY ASSOCIATED WITH FABRICATED FIRST HAND LIVE SIGHTINGS. ONE CHARACTERISTIC OFTEN NOTED IN SUCH BOGUS REPORTING IS A CLEAR ATTEMPT TO INSURE THAT SUCH INFORMATION DOES REACH SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS AND OBTAIN A HIGH LEVEL OF VISIBILITY.}

7. THE PURPOSE OF RAISING THE ISSUE OF THE "PEKING TEN" AGAIN AND AT THIS TIME IS IN VIEW OF THE RECENT REPORTING THAT NAME HAD FLED CHINA AND WAS IN MACAU IN 1985, ALTHOUGH REFUGEE CAMP OFFICIALS IN MACAU RECENTLY CLAIMED HE HAD BEEN RETURNED TO THE PRC. WHILE VO-PW WELCOMES ANY AND ALL INFORMATION

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NAME MIGHT PROVIDE CONCERNING THE PW/MIA ISSUE, ALL AGENCIES WHICH NAME MAY CONTACT SHOULD BE FULLY AWARE OF STATED SRVIS TIES. HIS ASSOCIATION WITH A POSSIBLE SRV SPONSORED ESCAPE OF TEN PERONS BY HELICOPTER FROM VIETNAM TO CHINA, HIS DEMONSTRATED UNRELIABILITY AS A REPORTER, AND THE PROBABILITY THAT NAME MAY CONTINUE TO HAVE CLEAR UNMISTAKABLE TIES TO AS YET UNIDENTIFIED TASKING BY HIS SRVIS SPONSORS.

8. THIS MESSAGE BEEN COORDINATED WITH AND SECSTATE (EAP/VLC).

9. POINT OF CONTACT AT DIA/VO-PW IS SEDGWICK TOURISON.

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 REF A MSG FORWARDED RESULTS OF THE DEBRIEFING OF
 PASSENGERS AND CREW ON BOARD A UN-1H HELICOPTER WHICH FLED FROM
 VIETNAM (SRV) TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) IN SEP 81 AND
 WERE INTERVIEWED BY JCRC IN EARLY 1982. THE MSG INCLUDED STATEMENTS
 FROM SOURCE CONCERNING HEARSAY OF U.S. F4S HE CLAIMED TO HAVE
 OBTAINED FROM FORMER COMMANDOS WHILE ON PW MIA DETAILS WITH THEM AT
 QUET TIEN PRISON, SRV, IN LATE 1971-EARLY 1973. REF E FORWARDED
 RESULTS OF THE PRESENT DIA/DC-2 INTERVIEW OF THESE FORMER OPS 34A
 COMMANDOS, ONE OF WHOM WAS IMPRISONED AT QUET TIEN PRISON IN 1973
 WITH THE CONTINGENT OF FORMER REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ARMED FORCES
 (RVNAF) F4S. REF B ALSO INCLUDED INFORMATION FROM FORMER OPS 34A
 COMMANDO SOURCE WHO STATED THAT SOURCE WAS A FORMER
 CIVIL ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE FORMER GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
 VIETNAM (RVN) ACCORDING TO STATEMENTS HE MADE TO HIM AND OTHER
 INDICES WHILE AT QUET TIEN. DC-2 COMMENT: AS NOTED IN REF B,

SC REVIEWED A PHOTOGRAPH DEPICTING THE INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWED IN
 1982 AT BEIJING, PRC, AND CLAIMING TO BE SOURCE. SC
 STATED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HE OBSERVED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH APPEARED TO
 BE SC AS REPORTED IN REF A. SC STATED TO
 INTERVIEWERS IN BEIJING THAT HE IS A FORMER PRIVATE CIVILIAN
 CONTRACTOR. REF C FORWARDED THE RESULTS OF JCRC INTERVIEW OF SC
 FORMER GUN FINANCE MINISTRY EMPLOYEE DETAINED AT QUET TIEN
 IN 1977-78, AND INTERVIEWED AT PULAU RIDING, MY, ON 11 JUN 85. REF C
 SUGGESTS SC IS KNOWN EDGEASLE CONCERNING THE IDENTITY OF
 GUN/RVNAF PERSONNEL IMPRISONED WITH COMMANDOS AT QUET TIEN IN
 1977-78.

2. REQUEST SC BE REINTERVIEWED CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING
 ASPECTS OF HIS DETENTION AT QUET TIEN PRISON:

A. WHAT WAS THE FUNCTION OF QUET TIEN PRISON WHILE HE WAS
 DETAINED THERE?
 B. FROM WHICH PRISONS HAD THE RVNAF/GVN PRISONERS COME FROM TO
 QUET TIEN? WHY DID THEY LEAVE WHEN THEY DID?

C. DETERMINE SOURCE'S KNOWN FEASIBILITY OF THE BACKGROUND OF
 SC AND HIS REEDUCATION CAMP CHRONOLOGY. DETERMINE THROUGH
 PHOTOGRAPH IDENTIFICATION IF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS IDENTIFIED
 HIMSELF TO JCRC AT BEIJING IS IN FACT SC. IF SO, WHEN AND
 UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES WAS SC RELEASED FROM THUAN CHAN PRISON?
 D. WHAT ACCOUNTS CONCERNING THE INCARCERATION OF THE COMMANDOS
 DID SC HEAR WHILE AT QUET TIEN? WERE THE COMMANDOS SAID TO
 HAVE BEEN IMPRISONED WITH AMERICANS? IF SO, TO WHOM CAN THESE
 REMARKS BE ATTRIBUTED? WHO AMONG THE GUN/RVNAF PW CONTINGENT HAD
 CONTACT WITH THE COMMANDOS?

3. DC-2 COMMENT: REF B ALSO PROVIDES BACKGROUND ON THE FUNCTION
 OF THE QUET TIEN PRISON DURING 1977-78 AS OBTAINED FROM SC
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4. POC IN DIA/DC-2 IS SEDGWICK TOURISON.

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SUBJ: DEBRIEF OF VIETNAMESE DEFECTORS/ESCAPEES

REFS: A. SECSTATE WASH DC MSG 21230124UG00
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 C. AMEMBASSY BEIJING MSG 280510ZJAN82
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 E. DIA WASH DC MSG 052322ZFE82
 F. AMEMBASSY BEIJING MSG 051027ZFE82
 G. USDAO BEIJING MSG 080567ZFE82 CITE 0097
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 I. AMEMBASSY BEIJING MSG 111801ZFE82
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1. REF A WAS SECSTATE MSG TO AMEMBASSY
 BEIJING REQUESTING THAT AMEMB BEIJING APPROACH HOST
 GOVERNMENT THROUGH MILITARY AND DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS TO
 REINHOLD PRC OF CONTINUING HIGH LEVEL INTEREST IN POW/MIA
 INFORMATION. REF B WAS SECSTATE MSG TO AMEMB BEIJING
 DIRECTING EMBASSY TO DISCUSS WITH APPROPRIATE MFA OFFICIAL
 THE SYSTEM CURRENTLY BEING USED THROUGHOUT ASIA TO
 SOLICIT INFORMATION OF POW/MIA INTEREST FROM INDOCHINESE
 REFUGEES. REF C WAS AMEMBASSY BEIJING MSG ADVISING
 THAT A MEMBER OF VIET DEFECTOR GROUP WHO FLED BY
 HELICOPTER AND ARRIVED IN PRC SEP 81 HAD MAILED LETTER
 TO U.S. EMBASSY BEIJING AND CLAIMED TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE
 OF U.S. POW'S AND REQUESTED GUIDANCE FROM STATE. REF D
 WAS SECSTATE MSG ADVISING AMEMBASSY BEIJING TO ARRANGE

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WITH UNR AND PRC FOR DAD TO DEBRIEF ESCAPEES. REF E
 WAS DIA WASH MSG PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR INITIAL INTERVIEW
 OF ESCAPEES. REF F WAS AMEMBASSY BEIJING MSG ADVISING
 THAT PRC HAD NO OBJECTION TO INTERVIEWS, BUT THAT LIMITED
 TIME WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS. REF G WAS USDAO
 BEIJING MSG REQUESTING THAT USDOLO HONG KONG PARTICIPATE
 IN INTERVIEWS OF ESCAPEES. REF H WAS USDOLO HONG KONG MSG
 ADVISING THAT DLO WOULD PARTICIPATE AND RECOMMENDED THAT
 JCRC INTERVIEWERS BE INCLUDED IN THE INTERVIEW PROCESS.
 REF I WAS AMEMB BEIJING MSG ADVISING THAT A PRELIMINARY
 MEETING WITH THE DEFECTOR GROUP AND EMBASSY OFFICERS
 REVEALED THAT TWO MEMBERS OF THE GROUP CLAIMED TO
 HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF POW/MIA INTEREST. REF J WAS USDAO
 BEIJING MSG RETRANSMITTING SUBSTANCE OF REF C AND REQUESTED
 STATUS OF INTERVIEW SUPPORT. REF K WAS CDR JCRC
 MSG ADVISING THAT JCRC INTERVIEWERS WOULD PARTICIPATE
 IN INTERVIEW OF DEFECTOR GROUP. REF L WAS USDAO BEIJING
 MSG PROVIDING RESULTS OF JOINT JCRC/DAD INTERVIEW OF
 ESCAPEES SOURCE. REF M WAS USDAO BEIJING MSG
 PROVIDING RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF SOURCE. REF N
 WAS USDAO BEIJING MSG ADVISING THAT ESCAPEE SOURCE
 SC HAD INDICATED THAT HE ALSO WAS IN POSSESSION OF
 POW/MIA INFO. REF O WAS CDR JCRC MSG ADVISING THAT
 INTERVIEW SUPPORT WOULD AGAIN BE PROVIDED BY JCRC.
 REF P WAS DIA WASH MSG PROVIDING INTERVIEW GUIDANCE
 FOR SOURCE. REF Q WAS DIA MSG PRO. REF R
 WAS DIA WASH MSG PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INTERVIEW
 GUIDANCE FOR REINTERVIEW OF SOURCE. REF S
 WAS DIA WASH MSG PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INTERVIEW
 REQUIREMENTS FOR SOURCE. REF T WAS USDAO
 BANGKOK MSG PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RESULTING
 FROM INTERVIEW OF SOURCE

2. DEFECTOR/ESCAPEE SOURCE WAS
 INTERVIEWED AT USDAO BEIJING BY JCRC REP BELL ON 4 AND 8
 MARCH 1982. SOURCE, A 38 YEAR OLD VIETNAMESE MALE
 ESCAPEE AND FORMER PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE OFFICER (ST QUAN
 CONG AN) PROVIDED LIMITED HEARSAY INFORMATION CONCERNING
 THE ALLEGED DETENTION OF U.S. POW'S IN VIETNAM
 SUBSEQUENT TO THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENTS. GUIDELINES
 PROVIDED BY DIA WERE USED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE
 CONSIDERING THE VERY LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE TO CONDUCT
 THE INTERVIEW. SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED ENTIRELY IN THE
 VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE WITH NO INTERPRETER PRESENT. SOURCE
 WAS IN GOOD HEALTH, COOPERATIVE, AND MENTALLY ALERT
 DURING THE INTERVIEW.
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A. SOURCE - SOURCE
DPOB SOURCE data (QUANG NAM (P))
VN, PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE OFFICER (NO RANK BUT
EQUIVALENT PAY GRADE TO SR LT (THONG UY)). SOURCE
ESCAPED FROM BACH HAT AIRFIELD (VIC COORD WJ 870 213
HANOI CITY MAP SERIES L909 EDITION 3) IN HANOI CITY, VN,
BY U.S. MODEL HELICOPTER (MIN ALONG WITH SEVEN OTHER
MALE AND TWO FEMALE VIETNAMESE ESCAPEES (SEE MSG REF L
FOR LIST OF OTHER ESCAPEES) ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1981 AND LANDED
IN THE PAC. SOURCE AS WELL AS THE OTHER NINE ESCAPEES IS
CURRENTLY IN BEIJING AWAITING TRANSPORTATION TO BE MOVED
TO A SOUTHERN PROVINCE IN THE PAC FOR TEMPORARY
RESETTLEMENT.

B. SOURCE - BIOGRAPHIC DATA: SOURCE
(NAME USED NOT AS PARTY MEMBER BUT
AFFAIRS HE WAS SIXTH IN ORDER OF BIRTH) SD
SD QUANG NAM (P) VN. WIFE - NAME
NAME: DPOB 1945 HANOI CITY, UNTIL 1978 WORKED IN
PHARMACEUTICAL FACTORY IN HANOI CITY. SOURCE WAS
TRANSFERRED TO WORK AS SOURCE data
SD IN HO CHI MINH CITY (HCM CITY).
CURRENT ADDRESS SD HCM CITY.
MONTHLY SALARY 56 PIASTERS (EQUIVALENT TO WARRANT OFFICER).
FATHER - NAME DPOB 1906 SAIGON, VICE PRINCIPAL
OF DATA MINISTRY OF CULTURE, SALARY
115 PIASTERS PER MONTH, RETIRED IN 1966-67 AND RESIDED
AT DATA HANOI. AFTER LIBERATION MOVED TO
HCM CITY. MOTHER - NAME DPOB 1914 HUE CITY.
HOUSEWIFE, RESIDED IN HANOI UNTIL AFTER LIBERATION THEN
MOVED WITH HUSBAND TO
DATA HCM CITY.

BROTHER - NAME DPOB 1932 DANANG CITY, CIVIL
ENGINEER, FORMERLY RESIDED AT DATA
CU SA KIEN THIEP, THU DUC TONK, SAIGON MUNICIPALITY
(PRESENTLY IN PAC WITH SOURCE, NAME - DPOB 1935,
DANANG CITY, SR CPT PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE IN HANOI
CITY, CURRENTLY ASSIGNED AS INSTRUCTOR AT PUBLIC

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DANGER INVOLVED IN THE ESCAPE. SOURCE STATED THAT HE
HAD NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH HIS OLDER BROTHER, NAME
SINCE 1948 WHEN HE MOVED TO NORTH VIETNAM WITH HIS
FAMILY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1975 WHEN HE WENT TO HCM CITY
ON VACATION. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD MOVED TO NORTH
VIETNAM IN 1948 FROM DANANG WITH HIS FAMILY. THE MOVE
WAS A RESULT OF SOURCE'S FATHERS BEING TRANSFERRED TO
HA TINH PROVINCE BY THE RAILROAD SYSTEM. AFTER THE
RAIL LINES WERE DISRUPTED SOURCE'S FATHER WENT TO WORK
IN A FACTORY IN CHU LAY VILLAGE HA TINH (P). IN 1950

Source data

SECURITY POLICE SCHOOL 2 IN HCM CITY, SALARY 96
PIASTERS PER MONTH, CURRENTLY RESIDES AT DATA
DATA PHU NHUAN, HCM CITY, BROTHER - NAME
DPOB 1939 DANANG, TRUCK DRIVER FOR STATE OPERATED
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, SALARY 115 PIASTERS PER MONTH,
CURRENTLY RESIDING AT DATA HANOI CITY.
SISTER - NAME DPOB 1934 DANANG, NURSE IN STATE
MEDICAL SYSTEM, SALARY APPROX 70 PIASTERS PER MONTH,
CURRENTLY WORKS AT HOSPITAL "A" IN HOA KIEN DISTRICT,
HANOI, CURRENTLY RESIDES AT DATA HANOI.
BROTHER - NAME DPOB 1959 HANOI, SGT IN PUBLIC
SECURITY POLICE SINCE 1977-78, PRESENTLY AT
REFUGEE PROCESSING CENTER, DEPARTED VIETNAM APRIL 1981
BY BOAT AND WAS RESCUED BY U.S./INDONESIAN OIL SUPPORT
VESSEL AND TAKEN TO INDONESIA. SISTER - NAME
DPOB 1950 NGHE AN, DEPUTY FOR CONG TY BACH HOA COMPANY
PHONG TO CHUC (AM RO) FOR THE CONG TY BACH HOA COMPANY
LOCATED AT DATA HCM CITY. HUSBAND IS
NAME ASSIGNED TO THE GENERAL TECHNICAL
DIRECTORATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE (TONG DUC TY
THAT BO QUOC PHONG). SISTER - NAME
DPOB 1953 NGHE AN, PREVIOUSLY RESIDED IN HANOI AND MOVED
TO DANANG AFTER LIBERATION. CURRENTLY ASSIGNED AS
DATA HOUSING ADMINISTRATION (CAR, BO SO QUAN
LY MHA CUA DANANG). SOURCE STATED THAT ALTHOUGH HE
WAS NOT SURE, HE THOUGHT THAT HIS OLDER BROTHER NAME
HAD GONE TO FRANCE TO STUDY SOMETIME IN THE EARLY
1950'S. SOURCE HAD ONLY ONE OTHER RELATIVE WHO HAD
TRAVELED ABROAD, HIS YOUNGER BROTHER NAME
WHO HAD ESCAPED BY BOAT AS A REFUGEE IN APRIL 1981.
SOURCE STATED THAT HAD PAID TWO TALELS OF GOLD FOR
THE ESCAPE BOAT AND HAD GONE TO GALANG WITH THE WIFE AND
CHILDREN OF FORMER ARVN COLONEL TRAN HIEP THOI.
ACCORDING TO SOURCE NAME HAD RESIDED AT THE HOUSE OF
COE THOI WHILE HE WAS IN REEDUCATION IN NORTH VIETNAM
WHICH WAS A COMMON PRACTICE THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH FOR
SECURITY POLICE, NAME HAD SUBSEQUENTLY BECOME FRIENDS
WITH MRS. THOI AND HER FAMILY AND DECIDED TO FLEE WITH THEM
WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY AROSE. SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE
NAME DPOB 1968 HANOI, STUDENT:
NAME DPOB 1970 HANOI, STUDENT: NAME
NAME DPOB 1972 HANOI, STUDENT: NAME DPOB
1979 SAIGON, INFANT. ALL FOUR DAUGHTERS RESIDED AT DATA
NAME HCM CITY. SOURCE STATED THAT HE
NAME HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN IN VIETNAM BECAUSE OF THE

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Source
dataLEAVE AND VISITED HCK CITY (FORMERLY SAIGON) FOR THE
FIRST TIME. SOURCE REMAINED IN SAIGON FOR APPROXIMATELY
ONE MONTH AND RETURNED TO DUTY IN HANOI IN OCTOBER 1975.
IN MID 1976 (POSS JUNE OR JULY) SOURCE WAS SENT TO HCK CITY

Source data

SOURCE DID NOT

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DAD KIM LUEN AND HAD ACCESS TO THE PASSES. NAME WENT TO HANOI AND STAYED FOR 21 DAYS AFTER WHICH HE RETURNED TO HCK CITY AND TOLD THE GROUP THAT HE HAD FAILED TO ACCOMPLISH HIS MISSION AND HAD SPENT ALL THE MONEY. NAME CLAIMED THAT HE HAD SPENT A LOT OF MONEY ENTERTAINING THE GENERALS' DAUGHTER AND HAD BOUGHT HER A SLIP, BRASSIER, AND BLOUSE BUT SHE WAS NOT ABLE TO GET THE PASSES. THE GROUP WAS OUT 1000 PIASTERS FOR THE PLANE TICKETS AND 3000 PIASTERS FOR NAME'S EXPENSES. NAME MENTIONED THAT WHILE IN HANOI HE HAD MET A GIRL UUUU PICIDOUUE TO TAKE ALONG ON THE ESCAPE. SOURCE AND THE OTHERS BEGAN TO SUSPECT THAT NAME HAD TALKED TOO MUCH ABOUT THE ESCAPE PLAN AND WERE ANGRY BECAUSE HE WASTED THE MONEY AND DECIDED TO DROP HIM FROM THE PLAN. THE GROUP CONTINUED TO ASSOCIATE WITH NAME AND ACTED LIKE THEY HAD LOST INTEREST IN THE PLAN BUT CONTINUED PLANNING WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE. SOMETIME IN MID SEPTEMBER NAME THE PILOT INFORMED THE GROUP THE AIRCRAFT WOULD BE REPAIRED BY 24 SEPTEMBER 1981 AND THAT HE WOULD FLY THE AIRCRAFT TO HANOI ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1981. SOURCE ALONG WITH HIS BROTHER NAME NEPHews NAME AND HIS SISTER NAME HAD DEPARTED HCK CITY BY TRAIN ON 24 APRIL 1981. THEY CARRIED THE BATTERY, WHICH THEY WERE ABLE TO PURCHASE IN CHU LOU ALONG WITH A COMPASS FOR 4,600 PIASTERS, IN A CLOTH BAG. NAME WENT BY TRAIN ONE DAY PRIOR TO SOURCE AND THE REST OF THE GROUP AFTER ARRIVING IN HANOI THE GROUP WENT TO NAME'S HOUSE AT DATA ARRIVING THERE ON 26 SEPTEMBER 1981 TO CHECK ON THE SITUATION. NAME THE PILOT CAME TO THE HOUSE ON 27 SEPTEMBER AFTER HE ARRIVED AT BACH HAI AND TOLD THEM HE WAS READY TO GO. SOURCE TO GO WITH NAME ON THE NIGHT OF THE 29TH WITH THE BATTERY AND COMPASS TO THE HOUSE OF NAME WHO RESIDED AT KIM LIEN NEAR BACH HAI AIRFIELD. NAME WAS AN AIR FORCE WARRANT OFFICER WHO WAS A MUTUAL FRIEND OF NAME'S. NAME DECIDED TO INCLUDE NAME IN THE ESCAPE PLAN IN ORDER TO USE HIS HOUSE. NAME ALSO TOLD SOURCE'S NAME TO GO WITH HIS TWO SONS AND NEPHEW NAME NAME TO THE SOCCER FIELD NEXT TO LONG BIEN BRIDGE (VIC COORD W) 891264, HANOI CITY MAP 1909) WHERE HE

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HAVE ANY PERIOD OF MILITARY SERVICE. SOURCE CLAIMS THAT HE WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL PARTY. SOURCE CLAIMS THAT HE HAS NEVER TRAVELED ABROAD UNTIL HIS ESCAPE TO THE PRC. SOURCE BEGAN PLANNING FOR ESCAPE WHEN HIS NAME WAS RECALLED FROM RE-EDUCATION IN APRIL 1981. SOURCE'S NAME HAD ATTEMPTED TO ARRANGE ESCAPE BY BOAT BUT WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. SOURCE HAD A COUSIN NAME WHO WORKED IN THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT AT TAN SON NHAT AIR BASE WHO FIRST MENTIONED A PLAN TO ESCAPE BY HELICOPTER. NAME WANTED TO TAKE SOURCE AND HIS BROTHER TO CAMBODIA BY HELICOPTER AND LET THEM WALK OUT TO THAILAND BUT SOURCE FELT IT WAS TOO DANGEROUS. NAME DISCUSSED THE ESCAPE PLAN WITH A FRIEND NAME NAME WHO WAS A WARRANT OFFICER AND FLIGHT ENGINEER ON A U.S. UNIH HELICOPTER. NAME BROUGHT HIS FRIEND NAME NAME WHO WAS THE PILOT OF THE UNIH INTO THE PLAN AND THEY BEGAN TO HAVE REGULAR MEETINGS AT NAME'S HOUSE WHICH INCLUDED SOURCE, HIS BROTHER NAME AND NAME. TOLD THEM THAT HE WOULD SOON BE RETURNING A UNIH WHICH WAS BEING REPAIRED AT TAN SON NHAT TO BACH HAI AIRFIELD NEAR HANOI. NAME TOLD THE GROUP THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO FLY THEM OUT TO CHINA IF HE WOULD TAKE HIS WIFE NAME ALONG. NAME TOLD THE GROUP THAT HE COULD GET IN THE MAIN GATE OF BACH HAI AIRFIELD BECAUSE HE WAS A PILOT AND THE GUARDS RECOGNIZED HIM. NAME STATED THAT THE REMAINDER OF THE GROUP WOULD HAVE TO HAVE PASSES TO ENTER THE AIRFIELD UNLESS THEY COULD GET IN THE BACK GATE AND THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO BUY A BATTERY AND COMPASS BECAUSE THOSE ITEMS WERE REMOVED FROM THE AIRCRAFT AT NIGHT AND WERE ISSUED ONLY WHEN A FLYING MISSION WAS RECEIVED. SOURCE AND HIS BROTHER NAME GAVE NAME 3000 PIASTERS PLUS A ROUND TRIP PLANE TICKET TO HANOI IN ORDER FOR HIM TO PURCHASE THE BATTERY AND MAKE ALL THE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENTER THE AIRFIELD. NAME WAS ABLE TO BRIBE SOMEONE IN THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS TO ISSUE HIM ORDERS FOR TEMPORARY DUTY AT BACH HAI AIRFIELD. NAME WAS SUPPOSED TO GO TO HANOI FOR ONE WEEK DURING WHICH TIME HE WOULD ARRANGE TO BUY THE BATTERY AND COMPASS, CHECK TO SEE IF THE BACK GATE EMPLOYEES SERVICE ENTRANCE) TO BACH HAI WAS LOCKED AT NIGHT, AND GET PASSES FOR THE GROUP FROM A FRIEND OF HIS WHO WAS THE DAUGHTER OF BRIGADIER GENERAL

WOULD PICK THEM UP AT 0500 ON THE MORNING OF 30 SEPTEMBER. NAME HAD ARGUED TO LET SOURCE TAKE HIS NEPHEW NAME, A FORMER PAVN ENLISTED MAN ALONG SINCE NAME HAD SNEAKED INTO A WAREHOUSE AT BACH HAI AND CHECKED TO SEE WHAT TYPE OF PLUG THEY WOULD NEED ON THE BATTERY SINCE THERE WERE DIFFERENT TYPES AND THEY WOULD NOT HAVE TIME TO CHANGE IT AT THE TIME OF ESCAPE. FORTUNATELY THE GROUP HAD PURCHASED THE CORRECT BATTERY AND NO MODIFICATION WAS NECESSARY. THE BATTERY WAS TAKEN BY SOURCE TO A SHOP NEAR HIS SISTER'S HOUSE FOR CHARGING ONE DAY PRIOR TO THE ESCAPE. ON 29 SEPTEMBER SOURCE AND NAME WENT TO SON'S HOUSE AT KIM LIEN NEAR BACH HAI. AT APPROXIMATELY 0400 HOURS ON 30 SEPTEMBER SOURCE DEPARTED NAME'S HOUSE ALONG WITH NAME'S RIDING ON BICYCLE WITH SOURCE CARRYING THE BATTERY ON HIS BIKE SINCE HE WAS A SECURITY POLICE OFFICER AND HAD A CURFEW PASS AND POLICE IDENTIFICATION COPIES BEING FORWARDED BY SEPARATE LETTER). NAME'S PARKED THEIR BIKE IN HE GRASS NEAR THE GATE AND THEN JOGGED THROUGH THE GATE AS IF THEY WERE OUT FOR THEIR MORNING EXERCISE. SOURCE AND NAME WENT AROUND TO THE BACK OF THE AIRFIELD AND STANDING ON THE SEAT OF THE BICYCLE. WHEN THEY LEANED AGAINST THE WALL, CUT THE BOTTOM TWO STRANDS OF BARBED WIRE FROM THE THREE STRANDS WHICH RAN ALONG THE TWO METER HIGH WALL. SOURCE CLIMBED UP FIRST AND NAME PUSHED THE BATTERY UP TO HIM. AFTER NAME CLIMBED UP TO HOLD THE BATTERY SOURCE DROPPED DOWN INSIDE THE AIRFIELD AND NAME HANDED THE BATTERY DOWN TO HIM. SOURCE AND NAME CARRIED THE BATTERY OVER TO THE UNIH WHERE NAME WAS WAITING. NAME HAD ALREADY REMOVED THE TIE DOWNS FROM THE SEATS OF THE AIRCRAFT AND OPENED THE BATTERY COMPARTMENT. NAME HAD THE COMPASS WHICH HE GAVE TO NAME. THE GROUP TOOK OFF FROM BACH HAI AT APPROXIMATELY 0445 HOURS AND WENT STRAIGHT TO THE SOCCER FIELD WHERE NAME WAS WAITING WITH SONS NAME'S AND NAME. THE GROUP AT THE SOCCER FIELD ALSO INCLUDED NAME NAME AND HER FRIEND NAME WHO HAD ARRIVED WITHOUT SOURCE'S PRIOR KNOWLEDGE. AFTER TAKE OFF THE GROUP HEADED NORTH FOR THE PRC BORDER. THE GROUP DISPLAYED A RED FLAG ON EACH SIDE OF THE AIRCRAFT TO INDICATE AN EMERGENCY FLIGHT. AS THE AIRCRAFT APPROACHED THE PRC BORDER THE GROUP CHANGED BT

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THE FLAGS TO WHITE TO INDICATE TO THE CHINESE THAT THEY WANTED TO SURRENDER. THE AIRCRAFT LANDED APPROXIMATELY 40 KILOMETERS INSIDE THE PRC AND THE GROUP REMAINED ON BOARD THE HELICOPTER UNTIL PRC OFFICIALS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE ALTITUDE OR AZIMUTH OF THE AIRCRAFT AND STATED THAT THEY FLEW "HIGH" AND "NORTH". COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION AND PHOTOS WILL BE SENT BY SEPARATE LETTER.

C. SOURCE WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING CONCERNING THE BNV: THE BNV (H01) IS ORGANIZED INTO 46 SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS (CUC) INCLUDING SCHOOLS, RESEARCH LABORATORIES, AND OPERATIONAL DEPARTMENTS. THE 46 DEPARTMENTS COME UNDER FOUR GENERAL DEPARTMENTS (DIRECTORATES) GENERAL SECURITY DEPARTMENT (TONG CUC AN NINH) GENERAL POLICE DEPARTMENT (TONG CUC CANH SAT) GENERAL RECONSTRUCTION FORCES DEPARTMENT (TONG CUC XAY DUNG LUC LUONG) GENERAL REAR SERVICES

DEPARTMENT (TONG CUC HAU CANH). THE BNV IS HEADED BY PHAM HUNG (WAS FORMERLY HEADED BY TRAN QUOC HOANG). PHAM HUNG HAS SIX DEPUTIES. THE SENIOR DEPUTY TO PHAM HUNG IS LE QUOC TAN WHO IS THE MINISTRY DEPUTY TO PARTY SECRETARY (BI THU DANG DOAN) AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PLANS AND POLICY. THE OTHER DEPUTIES ARE TRAN DONG DEPUTY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS (VU CHINH TRI), CAO DANG DEPUTY FOR SECURITY FROM DANANG SOUTH (SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR SOUTH SINCE REUNIFICATION. CHIEF WAS PREVIOUSLY CHIEF OF SECURITY FOR SAIGON-GIA DINH MILITARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE), TRAN QUYET DEPUTY FOR ARMED POLICE (CANH SAT VU TRANG), HOANG THAO DEPUTY FOR REAR SERVICES (HAU CANH) AND NINH TIEN DEPUTY FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (KHOA HOC KY THUAT). SOURCE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING CONCERNING IMPORTANT PERSONALITIES: VIEN CHI - A FORMER DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE BNV WHO HAD BEEN DETACHED TO THE MILITARY SECURITY DEPARTMENT (CUC BAO VE KINH TRI QUAN DOI); PHAM KIET - AN OFFICER WITH RANK OF BG FROM SVN FORMERLY IN CHARGE OF ARMED POLICE BUT HAD DIED OF CANCER; NGUYEN TAI - FORMER CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT ET TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT (CUC KY THUAT), HAD BEEN CAPTURED DURING THE

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WAR IN THE SOUTH AND IMPRISONED FOR SEVERAL YEARS BY THE RVN, WAS CONSIDERED A HERO AFTER LIBERATION AND SENT BY SRY GOVERNMENT FOR SIX MONTHS TO EAST GERMANY TO RECOVER. AFTER RETURNING TO SRY WAS TEMPORARILY APPOINTED AS A DEPUTY MINISTER BUT WAS RELIEVED AND FORCED INTO RETIREMENT AFTER SOME DOCUMENTS LEFT BEHIND DURING THE 1976 EVACUATION INDICATED THAT HE HAD COOPERATED WITH THE GVN WHILE HE WAS IMPRISONED IN THE SOUTH A SR COL HONG HA WAS DISCIPLINED BY THE PARTY FOR HAVING RELATIONS WITH HIS (NGUYEN TAI'S) WIFE; HUYNH VIET THANG-FORMER DEPUTY TO CAO DANG CHIEF NOW IS DEPUTY OF PEOPLE'S SUPREME COURT (PHO VIEN KINH SOAN TOA AN NHAN DAN TOI CAO). SOURCE STATED THAT WHEN HE BECAME A SECURITY POLICEMAN THERE WAS ONLY ONE BRANCH (CONG AN) BUT SOMETIME DURING THE MID 1960'S (POSS 1965) THE CONG AN WAS DIVIDED INTO SIX SEPARATE BRANCHES INCLUDING KHAI - DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC ORDER (CUC CANH SAT QUAN LY HANH TRAM VA TRI AN XA HOI) CHIEF IS SR COL TO XUAN KHU, KHAI-CRIMINAL DEPARTMENT (CUC MINH SU) CHIEF IS BG TRAN LUNG (NOT SR COL TRAN LUNG WHO IS IN DEPARTMENT KE), KHAI TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT (CUC GIAO THONG) CHIEF IS COL BACH TRANG, KHAI SECURITY (PROTECTION) POLICE DEPARTMENT (CUC CANH SAT BAO VE), KHAI-FIRE DEPARTMENT (CUC CHIA CHAY), AND KHAI-PENAL DEPARTMENT (CUC TRAI GIAM) CHIEF IS BG LE HUU QUAN. THE DEPUTY FOR KHAI WAS COLONEL NGUYEN THICH. ANOTHER MEMBER OF KHAI WAS LTC AND HAD OPERATED OUT OF A HOUSE ON PHAM THUAN GIAM STREET. THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF KHAI/AS THE DEPARTMENT (CUC) AT THE LARGE CITY AND MUNICIPALITY LEVEL WAS THE OFFICE (PHONG) AT THE PROVINCIAL OR DISTRICT LEVEL WAS THE OFFICE (PHONG). IN THE CASE OF KHAI THE NATIONAL LEVEL (CUC) WOULD BE DESIGNATED AS KHAI, THE CITY LEVEL (PHONG) KHAI, AND THE PROVINCIAL/DISTRICT LEVEL (DEPENDING ON POPULATION DENSITY) WOULD BE (PHONG) KHAI. A NUMBER WOULD BE ADDED AT THE CITY OR PROVINCIAL LEVEL TO DENOTE THE OFFICE OR SECTION I.E. OFFICE THREE OF DEPARTMENT KHAI (PHONG) OR SECTION SIX OF DEPARTMENT KHAI (KHAI). IN SOME AREAS THE NUMBERS WOULD BE REVERSED I.E. KHAI3 OR KHAI2B.

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HAD EIGHT PERSONNEL ASSIGNED. P2 WAS THE GENERAL OFFICE (YONG HOP) AND HAD 11 PERSONNEL ASSIGNED. P3 WAS THE INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE (TRONG AN) CHIEF WAS NGUYEN NHAN (EQUIVALENT TO LTC, DEPUTY WAS LE TUYEN EQV TO MAJOR P3 HAD 12 ASSIGNED PERSONNEL. P4 WAS THE VICE OFFICE (CHONG TE WAN XA HOI). P5 WAS THE OFFICE AGAINST SMUGGLING (CHONG GIUON LAO) HAD 10 PEOPLE ASSIGNED. P6 WAS THE OFFICE FOR WEAPONS AND ESCAPED PRISONERS (VUKHI/CHAY TRON) AND HAD SIX PERSONNEL ASSIGNED. FORMER CHIEF WAS CHI TU BEFORE SHE WAS REASSIGNED TO P1.

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THE CHIEF OF P3K3 WAS HUYNH VAN THAN, EQV TO LTC SALARY 125 PIASTERS PER MONTH. THAN WAS A NATIVE OF SVN PDB POSSIBLY LONG AN (P). THAN WAS APPROXIMATELY 50 YEARS OF AGE. THE DEPUTY OF P3K3 WAS NGUYEN HANH HA, A 45 YEAR OLD NATIVE OF NVN PDB POSSIBLY HANOI. EQV TO MAJOR. SALARY 110 PIASTERS PER MONTH.

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THE MAIN OFFICE FOR KES WAS A SIX STORED BUILDING LOCATED AT 147 HONG THAP TU STREET (TOAN BO KHAI TRINH SAT KHAI TE CONG AN). OTHER DEPARTMENTS KNOWN TO SOURCE WERE: KE1-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY NUMBER ONE (CUC BAO VE KINH TE MOT). MEMBERS OF KE1 WERE DETACHED TO THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL COMMERCE (TRADE) (BO NOI THUONG). CHIEF WAS BG NGUYEN THE TUNG. KE2-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY NUMBER TWO (CUC BAO VE KINH TE HAI) MEMBERS WERE DETACHED TO WORK WITH THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE (BO NGOAI THUONG). KE3-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY NUMBER THREE (CUC BAO VE KINH TE BA) MEMBERS WERE DETACHED TO WORK WITH THE MINISTRY OF MATERIAL (RESOURCES) (BO VAT TU). CHIEF WAS TRAN LUNG EQV TO SENIOR COLONEL. KE1-DEPARTMENT OF

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TECHNOLOGY (CUC KY THUAT MOT) RESPONSIBLE FOR SIGNALS INTELLIGENCE (TIN BAO TREN KHONG). CHIEF IS HAN (LNU) EQV TO SR COL. SALARY 165 PIASTERS PER MONTH. HAS SLIGHTLY LESS THAN 200 ASSIGNED PERSONNEL. KE2-DEPARTMENT OF TECHNOLOGY NUMBER THREE, RESPONSIBLE FOR AUDIO SURVEILLANCE, KEYS AND LOCKS, AND TRADESAFE (DAP MAY GHT AN BI MAT, MAT NA THONG TIN, LAM TRI LIEU GIAT). AN OFFICER WITH THE RANK EQV OF COL OR SR COL NGUYEN TRUONG KHANG IS SOMEWHERE IN KT BUT SOURCE IS NOT SURE OF WHICH DEPARTMENT. KE3-TOURIST COMPANY OF VIETNAM CONG TY DU LICH) RESPONSIBLE FOR SURVEILLING FOREIGN TOURISTS, FURNISHES AGENTS AS INTERPRETERS, GUIDES, AND DRIVERS. CHIEF IS KHUO HUE, EQV TO SR COL. KE5-GENERAL SURVEILLANCE FORMERLY K-99 (CUC NGOAI TUYEN). LOCATED IN SEVJIVE STORED BUILDING ON HONG THOP TU STREET HON CITY.

KE 10- TERRITORIAL (BORDER) SECURITY (CUC BAO VE LANH TO); KE4- INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION (CUC PHAI KHIEU) AREA (CUC SU TAP); KABA-COUNTERSUBVERSION (CUC BAO VE CHINH TRI MOT, CHIEF BG NGUYEN SI HOYNH. KABA-COUNTERREACTINARY (CUC BAO VE CHINH TRI HAI). VU-CADRE ORGANIZATION (VU TO CHUC CAN BO) RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANIZING THE BNV CADRE AT DEPARTMENT LEVEL (CUC) DOWN. CHIEF IS NGUYEN DANG. C-530-SECURITY OFFICERS ACADEMY (TRUONG SI QUAN AN NINH), LOCATED AT THANH XUAN AREA OF HANOI (E K) FIVE YEAR COURSE. FORMER CHIEF WAS HOANG MAT, BUT HE HAS BEEN REASSIGNED AS DEPUTY OF THE GENERAL DEPARTMENT FOR RECONSTRUCTION FORCES (TONG CUC PHO TONG CUC XAY DUNG LUC LUONG). T-17-POLICE OFFICERS SCHOOL (TRUONG SI QUAN CANH SAT), LOCATED AT SUOI HAI (U) BA VI (D) APPROX 70 KM FROM HANOI, FIVE YEAR COURSE. T-18 MID LEVEL SECURITY POLICE SCHOOL NUMBER ONE, LOCATED 4 KM FROM T-17 (FORMERLY 100M BUT T-18 WAS MOVED TO FACILITATE LOGISTICS) 18 MONTH COURSE INCLUDES LAO AND KMER. CT-13 POLICE OFFICERS SCHOOL NUMBER TWO (TRUONG CANH SAT HAI) LOCATED IN HON CITY. 18 MONTH COURSE. (IS EQUIVALENT TO T-18. SECURITY SCHOOL NUMBER TWO (NUMERICAL DESIGNATION UNKNOWN), LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF BIEN HOA CITY. APPROX 10KM NORTHWEST OF LONG THANH TOWN ON THE WEST SIDE OF HMY NUMBER 15. INCLUDES LAO AND KMER STUDENTS. 18 MONTH MIDLEVEL COURSE. 2KM FROM LONG THANH REEDUCATION CAMP. SECURITY SCHOOL NUMBER ONE (TRUONG AN NINH MOT) LOCATED 3KM FROM PHO LU TOWN IN VINH PHU (P) (EQUIVALENT TO SECURITY SCHOOL NUMBER TWO) 18 MONTH MID LEVEL COURSE. CHU LAI-NUCLEA SECURITY POLICE SCHOOL (NUMERICAL DESIGNATION BT

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(UNKNOW) TRUONG CONG AN (CHU-LAI NUOC HAN), LOCATED A NUOC HAN VILLAGE NEAR FORMER U.S. AIRBASE AT CHU LAI, 18 MONTH MID LEVEL COURSE, INCLUDES STUDENTS FROM ETHNIC MINORITIES AND VIETNAMESE STUDENTS FROM THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN HIGHLANDS. CRIME RESEARCH LABORATORY (VIEN NGHIEN CUC HINH SU), LOCATED IN THE TAM DAO AREA OF TAM DUONG (D) VINH PHU (P), COMPLETED IN LATE 1975, HAS ADVISORS FROM EAST GERMANY. SECURITY POLICE RESEARCH LABORATORY (VIEN NGHIEN CUC CONG AN), LOCATED IN HANOI (VIC COORD 882244 HANOI CITY MAP 1909, HAS SOVIET ADVISORS. SOURCE ONLY KNEW OF TWO OPERATIVES WHOM HE BELIEVED TO BE WORKING IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, NGUYEN CUC ENA WHO HAD STUDIED ENGLISH AND INTERROGATION IN CUBA IN THE EARLY 1960'S, WAS APPROX 38 YEARS OLD, POB NGHE AN (P), ENA'S FATHER WAS HEAD OF THE STATE BANK FOR NGHE AN (P). SOURCE BELIEVED THAT ENA WAS PRESENTLY IN CUBA. SOURCE HAD A GIRL FRIEND, NAME, WHO RESIDED AT THANH TRI (D) HANOI. SOURCE LEARNED FROM NAME THAT HER FATHER WAS AN OPERATIVE IN THAILAND AND HAD BEEN THERE SINCE 1962 OR 63. HIS LAST NAME WAS NAME. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO REMEMBER HIS FIRST NAME BUT STATED THAT HIS RANK WAS EQUIVALENT TO DC. SOURCE ONLY FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF US POW'S WAS GAINED WHILE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE SECURITY POLICE IN HANOI. SOURCE WORKED AS WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS A RECORDER FOR INTERROGATORS AT HAO LO PRISON FROM JUNE 1966 UNTIL JULY 1967. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE WAS ASSIGNED THERE FOR TRAINING AS AN INTERROGATOR. SOURCE ALSO CLAIMED TO HAVE PROVIDED FOOD AND WATER TO U.S. PRISONERS ABOVE THEIR NORMAL RATION. SINCE SOURCE COULD NOT SPEAK OR WRITE ENGLISH AND HAD HAD NO FORMAL TRAINING HE WAS PROBABLY ASSIGNED TO HAO LO AS A GUARD. IN ANY CASE DUE TO THE TIME LAPSE HE WAS NOT ABLE TO DESCRIBE ANY PRISONERS OR PROVIDE ANY NAMES. SOURCE DID NOT KNOW OF ANY REMAINS BUT REMEMBERED ONE US PRISONER WHO WAS BROUGHT INTO THE PRISON AFTER BEING BADLY BURNED AND SPECULATED THAT THE MAN HAD DIED SOON AFTER ARRIVAL BUT DIDN'T KNOW WHERE THE REMAINS WERE BURIED. OTHER PERSONNEL AT HAO LO WHOM SOURCE REMEMBERED WERE MISS DAU WHO WAS A DOCTOR WHO TREATED US PRISONERS, NGUYEN DUC

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OBSERVED ANY FOREIGNERS INTERROGATING OR PARTICIPATING IN ANY WAY IN THE INTERROGATION OF US POW'S DURING THE WAR UNTIL THE AMERICAN POW'S WERE RELEASED. SOURCE SAID THAT OTHER DETENTION AREAS FOR US POW'S WERE TRUONG TAN TRAO SCHOOL LOCATED ON HANG BONG THO NGHUM ST (HEARSAY) AND THE FILM WAREHOUSE (KHO CHUA FILM) ON DUONG CAU NOI STREET (VIC WJ 8522) (HEARSAY). SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PRISON SYSTEM, BUT CLAIMED THAT HE MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME UP WITH MORE INFORMATION AFTER HE WAS RESETTLED IN THE US AND WAS NOT SO SICK FROM THE WORK AND EMOTIONAL STRAIN.

3. SOURCE SOURCE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING RESPONSES TO THE REQUESTS POSED BY DIA: SC
DPOB SD DANANG MUNICIPALITY, QUANG NAM (P) VN, FORMER SD SOURCE A 50 YEAR OLD MALE ETHNIC VIETNAMESE WHO ESCAPED FROM HANOI CH BY HELICOPTER TO THE PRC IN SEPTEMBER 1961 WAS INTERVIEWED ON 5 AND 6 MARCH 1982 AT USDAO BEIJING. SOURCE WAS COOPERATIVE, IN GOOD HEALTH, AND MENTALLY ALERT DURING THE INTERVIEW.

A. SOURCE MOVED FROM DANANG CITY TO SAIGON CITY DURING EARLY 1957. SOURCE WAS ABLE TO FIND

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MR. BUU ACCORDING TO SOURCE WAS A FAMOUS TYCOON FROM HUE CITY AND OWNED NUMEROUS BUILDINGS AND FACTORIES-INCLUDING THE DORTER TEXTILE MILL AT BIEN HOA WHICH WAS COMPLETED BY SOURCE IN LATE 1962. DURING 1962 AND 1963, SOURCE CONTINUED TO WORK FOR MR. BUU ON A JOINT U.S./VIETNAMESE PROJECT WHICH CALLED FOR THE BUILDING OF CONCRETE BUNKERS AND OUTPOSTS FROM BIEN HOA TO VUNG TAU ALONG NATIONAL ROUTE 15. THE ORGANIZATION UNDER PRESIDENT NGO DINH DIEM WAS CALLED THE "FIGHTING CATHOLICS DIVISION" (SU DOAN LUC LUONG CONG NHAM CHIEU DAU). AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT DIEM, MR. BUU'S COMPANIES WERE CONFISCATED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND MR. BUU WAS PLACED UNDER HOUSE ARREST AT THE GRAVE HOSPITAL IN SAIGON FOR OVER TWO YEARS. SOURCE WAS ABLE TO FIND OTHER EMPLOYMENT WITH 1 SD COMPANY WHICH - '98,516 92,35 16 - 148.-F-34094-508, AND MR. BUU'S OLDER BROTHER NGUYEN VAN HANG THE FORMER CHIEF OF QUANG TRI (P).

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A 21 STORY HOTEL AT THE CORNER OF BACH DANG AND BEN CHUNG DUONG STREETS, BUT NAME WAS ARRESTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT WHILE A MEMBER OF CONGRESS AND CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMERCE COMMISSION IN SAIGON. ACCORDING TO SOURCE NAME WAS RELEASED JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMUNIST TAKEOVER AND NOW RESIDES IN CANADA. SOURCE RECOMMENDED THAT THE USG ATTEMPT TO CONTACT NAME WHO IS VERY RICH AND FAMOUS AMONG THE VIETNAMESE POPULATION IN ORDER TO VERIFY SOURCE'S BACKGROUND. SOURCE WAS LATER ABLE TO SECURE AN INTERNATIONAL

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL UNTIL THE COMMUNIST TAKEOVER ON 30 APRIL 1975.

B. AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST SOURCE WAS RESIDING AT SD SD SAIGON CITY. SOURCE STATED THAT HE DID NOT GO TO REGISTER WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT BECAUSE HE WAS AFRAID HE WOULD HAVE TO GO FOR REEDUCATION. SINCE HE HAD NO MILITARY BACKGROUND SOURCE FELT THAT HE WOULD BE BETTER OFF TO WAIT AND TAKE HIS CHANCES. SOURCE FELT THAT IF HE WERE ARRESTED HE WOULD BE QUICKLY RELEASED. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD KEPT COPIES OF HIS U.S.G. LETTERS OF COMMEMORATION AND COPIES OF CONTRACTS SIGNED BY OJEC AND IN CASE HE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ESCAPE INTO REFUGEE CHANNELS, SOURCE FELT THAT COPIES OF HIS PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT WOULD HELP HIM IN RESETTLEMENT, BUT ACTUALLY THEY LED TO HIS IMPRISONMENT AND REEDUCATION. SOURCE FURTHER STATED HE BELIEVED THAT COPIES OF HIS LETTERS OF COMMEMORATION FROM THE IV CORPS ENGINEER OFFICER WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HIM WHEN SEEKING EMPLOYMENT AS SD SD SOURCE WAS FIRST ARRESTED IN JULY 1975 ALONG WITH APPROXIMATELY 80 OTHER PEOPLE WHO WERE SUSPECTED OF ORGANIZING RESISTANCE AGAINST THE COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT. OUT OF THE GROUP OF 80 ONLY EIGHT INCLUDING SOURCE WERE TAKEN TO CHI HOA PRISON IN SAIGON. THE REMAINDER WERE HELD AT THU DUC FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AND RELEASED. SOURCE AND HIS SEVEN COMPANIONS WERE RETURNED TO THU DUC AFTER PROCESSING AT CHI HOA DUE TO A LACK OF SPACE IN

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HAJ PHONG BY SHIP ON 20 APRIL 1977 AND WAS THEN TRANSPORTED BY BUS TO THE HA NAI KHU RE-ED CAMP WHICH HOUSED OVER 500 INMATES. THE CAMP WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO SECTIONS, A AND B. THE CAMP C.O. WAS LTC JUNG (ROSS JUNG). THE LETTER BOX NUMBER (LBN) FOR HA NAI KHU DURING SOURCE'S DETENTION WAS T063725. SOURCE REMAINED AT HA NAI KHU UNTIL CHRISTMAS EYE NIGHT IN DECEMBER 1977 WHEN HE WAS MOVED BY BUS ALONG WITH 20 OTHER INMATES TO THE QUYET TIEN AKA "GATE TO HEAVEN" AKA "VIETNAMESE STEREA" RE-ED CAMP IN QUANG BA (KHOA VAT) DISTRICT, HA GIANG (P) (HAD DRAWN MEMORY SKETCH WILL BE FORWARDED BY SEPARATE LETTER). SOURCE DESCRIBED QUYET TIEN AS BEING ONE SINGLE CAMP HOUSING OVER 600 INMATES. SOURCE STATED THAT THE CAMP WAS APPROX 30 KM FROM HA GIANG (P) HQ, APPROX 17 KM FROM QUANG BA (D) HQ, APPROX 100 KM FROM BONG VAN (D) HQ, AND APPROX 8 KM (AIR) FROM THE CHINESE BORDER (28KM ROAD DISTANCE). THE C.O. OF QUYET TIEN CAMP WAS SR CAPT LAM WHO HAD BEEN ASSIGNED THERE AS A CORPORAL SINCE THE PRISON WAS CONSTRUCTED IN 1957. CAMP SECURITY OFFICER WAS WARRANT OFFICER TO AND THE POLITICAL INSTRUCTOR WAS MSGT THAM. THE MOST FAMOUS INMATE WAS FORMER RVN SPECIAL FORCES CPT LUYN WHO HAD GRADUATED IN THE SAME OFFICERS CLASS AS LTG NGO QUANG TRUNG. CPT LUYN HAD BEEN AN INSTRUCTOR WHO WAS DETACHED FROM SPECIAL FORCES TO WORK WITH THE COMMANDO (BIET KICH DU) TEAMS WHICH WERE PARACHUTED INTO NORTH VIETNAM BY THE U.S.G. DURING THE 1960'S. MANY OF THE FORMER COMMANDOS AND FROGHER STILL OBEYED CPT LUYN WHO REFUSED TO WRITE HOME OR ACCEPT VISITORS. CPT LUYN HAD SEVERAL OF THE COMMANDOS CONVINCED THAT THE U.S. WAS STILL PLANNING TO RESCUE THEM AND THAT THEY SHOULD CONTINUE TO RESIST AND REFUSE ANY SPECIAL TREATMENT FROM THE COMMUNISTS ACCORDING TO SOURCE. SOURCE STATED THAT ONE OF THE COMMANDOS (KHUON-LIU) HAD HIS LEG BRACES TIGHTENED UNTIL HIS BONES FRACTURED AND PULLED OUT A PIECE OF BONE WHICH HE GAVE TO SOURCE AS A SOUVENIR. ANOTHER FAMOUS INMATE WAS FROGHER TOAN (LIU) WHO HAD BLOWN UP THE GIANG RIVER BRIDGE IN QUANG BINH PROVINCE PRIOR TO CAPTURE. THE COMMANDO WHO HAD BEEN HELD THE LONGEST WAS COMG-THAM (LIU) WHO HAD BEEN HELD SINCE 1963, WHEN

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BONG INDICATED A RELEASE DATE OF 22 APRIL 1981. SOURCE COULD NOT ACCOUNT FOR THE DIFFERENCE IN THE DATE OTHER THAN THAT THERE WAS AN UNEXPLAINED DELAY AT THE TIME OF HIS RELEASE. CONCERNING THE PRISON CAMP SYSTEM IN GENERAL, SOURCE STATED THAT ONLY HIGH RANKING OFFICERS OR PERSONS CONSIDERED TO BE DANGEROUS TO THE REGIME WERE SENT TO NORTH VIETNAM AFTER LIBERATION. ACCORDING TO SOURCE THE CAMP SYSTEM IN THE NORTH WAS TRANSFERRED BEGINNING IN 1978 FROM THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE (BO QUOC PHONG) TO THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR (MOI) BECAUSE OF A SHORTAGE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL TO FIGHT IN KAMPUCHEA AND TO PREPARE FOR THE CHINESE INVASION. THE CHINESE INVASION ALSO CAUSED SOME OF THE CAMPS TO BE MOVED SOUTH AWAY FROM THE PRE BORDER AND SOME CAMPS TO BE CONSOLIDATED. AS FOR COMMANDOS STILL REMAINING AT QUYET TIEN IN 1978, SOURCE WAS QUITE EMPHATIC THAT SOME WERE STILL THERE. SOURCE SPECULATED THAT AFTER HE WAS MOVED FROM QUYET TIEN TO THANH CAN IN AUGUST 1978 SOME OR ALL OF THE COMMANDOS MAY HAVE BEEN MOVED TO OTHER CAMPS. SOURCE WAS TOLD AT THAT POINT THAT HIS INFORMATION WAS IN CONTRAST TO THAT PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED AND THAT INMATES WERE MOVED OUT OF QUYET TIEN DURING 1972-73, BUT SOURCE MAINTAINED THAT WHEN HE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM HA NAM KINH TO QUYET TIEN IN LATE 1977, HE OBSERVED THAT A TOTAL OF 48 MEN WERE TRANSFERRED AT THE SAME TIME INCLUDING 20 MEN FROM HA NAM KINH, NINE FROM THANH CAN, THREE FROM HA TAY, AND 14 PRIESTS. PRIOR TO THEIR ARRIVAL, THE COMMANDOS WERE ALREADY BEING HELD IN AREA "O" OF QUYET TIEN WHICH WAS THE MAXIMUM SECURITY AREA WHERE NO ONE WAS ALLOWED TO GO OUT INCLUDING LABOR DETAILS. CADRE WHO DID NOT HAVE SPECIFIC DUTIES WITHIN AREA "O" WERE NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER REGARDLESS OF RANK OR POSITION. IN ADDITION TO THE COMMANDOS AREA "O" HELD ONLY MEN WHO HAD BEEN MOVED FROM SOUTH VIETNAM SUBSEQUENT TO LIBERATION. SOURCE AGREED THAT SOME COMMANDOS HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED OR RELEASED, BUT INSISTED THAT MANY WERE STILL DEFIANT AND THAT ATTEMPTS TO REEDUCATE THEM WAS ONLY COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF CPT LOUYEN THE COMMANDOS AND FROGREN HAD DECIDED TO WAIT FOR THE

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EVENTUAL RESCUE BY THEIR AMERICAN COMRADES. SOURCE SPECULATED THAT EVEN IF QUYET TIEN WERE CLOSED DOWN THE COMMUNISTS WOULD ONLY TRANSFER THEM TO ANOTHER REMOTE AREA AND CONTINUE TO HOLD THEM BECAUSE THEY WERE CONSIDERED AS HARD HEADED AND INCORRIGIBLE.

C. CONCERNING SOURCE'S KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. POW/MIA, HE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING: SOURCE HEARD ABOUT THE ALLEGED DETENTION OF 25 U.S. PRISONERS FROM TWO FELLOW TUNG ACCORDING TO SOURCE WERE QUANG AND TUNG. QUANG AND SIX COMRADES WHO HAD BEEN HELD IN AN UNIDENTIFIED PRISON IN HANOI DURING 1976. THE MEN HAD BEEN HELD AT HOA LO PRISON BEFORE AND WERE SURE THAT THE PRISON WAS NOT HOA LO (HAND DRAWN MEMORY SKETCH BY SOURCE AS RELATED TO HIM BY QUANG AND TUNG FORWARDED BY SEPARATE LETTER). QUANG AND TUNG TOLD SOURCE THAT THEY WERE HELD IN A "U" SHAPED MASONRY BUILDING WHICH WAS SURROUNDED ON THREE SIDES BY A THICK STAND OF TALL BAMBOO TREES. RICE-FIELDS SURROUNDED THE BAMBOO WITH RESIDENTIAL HOUSING "U" THEY OBSERVED THE FOUNDATION OF AN ABANDONED PAGODA WITH A WATER WELL NEAR ONE END. ON THE FAR SIDE OF THE PAGODA FOUNDATION THEY HAD OBSERVED THE FOUNDATION OF A SMALLER BUILDING WHICH HAD BEEN REMOVED. THE FOUNDATION SEEMED TO BE THAT OF AN ORDINARY HOUSE. QUANG AND TUNG STATED THAT THE AMERICAN PRISONERS PASSED IN FRONT OF THEIR CELL ON THE WAY TO BATHE. EACH TIME THE AMERICANS WENT TO BATHE THUS THE FIGURE 25. QUANG TOLD SOURCE THAT HE HAD SPOKE WITH SOME OF THE MEN AND HAD DETERMINED THAT THEY WERE AMERICANS. ACCORDING TO SOURCE QUANG HAD RECEIVED ENGLISH TRAINING IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIS COMMANDO TRAINING AND HAD ALSO STUDIED ENGLISH FOR A BRIEF PERIOD IN THAILAND PRIOR TO PARACHUTING INTO NORTH VIETNAM AND COULD THEREFORE CARRY ON A CONVERSATION IN ENGLISH. ONLY QUANG AND TUNG TOLD SOURCE ABOUT SEEING THE AMERICANS BUT THE GROUP INCLUDED SIX PEOPLE WHO WERE HELD IN THE SAME PRISON WITH THE AMERICANS AND WERE ABLE TO OBSERVE THE AMERICANS IN CAPTIVITY. THE SIX MEMBER TEAM WAS CONG THANH, APPROX 49 YEARS OLD (AS OF 1978), ETHNIC VIETNAMESE AND FORMER VIET KINH CADRE WHO HAD DEFECTED TO THE RVN IN 1961 AND SUBSEQUENTLY

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ENTERED THE RVN MARINE CORPS. WHILE A MARINE SERGEANT, HE VOLUNTEERED FOR COMMANDO TRAINING AND WAS IMMEDIATELY CAPTURED AFTER PARACHUTING INTO NORTH VIETNAM IN 1963. QUANG - APPROX 37 YEARS OF AGE (AS OF 1978) FROM NORTH VIETNAM, BUT MOVED SOUTH TO SAIGON WITH HIS FAMILY IN 1954 WHEN THE COUNTRY WAS DIVIDED. HE WAS FROM THE KUNG MINORITY AND WAS CAPTURED SOMETIME BETWEEN 1965-67. DE - HE WAS ETHNIC CHINESE FROM NORTH VIETNAM, BUT HAD MOVED SOUTH IN 1954 TO SAIGON WITH HIS FAMILY. HE WAS APPROX 38 YEARS OF AGE (AS OF 1978). TUNG - WAS VIETNAMESE FROM THE NORTH WHO MOVED SOUTH WITH HIS FAMILY IN 1954. HE WAS APPROX 35-37 YEARS OF AGE (AS OF 1978). HE WAS ALSO CAPTURED SOMETIME BETWEEN 1965-67. SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO REMEMBER THE SIXTH MEMBER OF THE GROUP. CONCERNING THE AMERICAN SERVICEMAN CALLED "MAM", WHOM SOURCE HEARD ABOUT, SOURCE ONLY KNEW THAT THE MAN WAS A DESERTER WHO WAS WORKING FOR THE COMMUNISTS AT HOANG LIEN SON. SOURCE HEARD ABOUT THE AMERICAN FROM "MANY" (COVER IUD) INMATES IN BOTH QUYET TIEN, THANH CAN, AND HA NAM KINH CAMPS. SOURCE HEARD FROM THE INMATES THAT THE AMERICAN WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR REPAIRING AND MAINTAINING AN ELECTRIC POWER GENERATOR. SOURCE HEARD THAT THE MAN COULD SPEAK VIETNAMESE WELL AND LIKED TO DISCUSS POLITICS. THE MAN ACCORDING TO SOURCE HAD ADVISED SOME OF THE INMATES TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMUNISTS AND TO DEMONSTRATE GOOD PROGRESS IN THEIR REEDUCATION. SOURCE DID NOT HEAR WHAT HAD BECOME OF THE AMERICAN AND ASSUMED HE WAS STILL AT HOANG LIEN SON.

D. BIOGRAPHIC DATE: SOURCE EXPLAINED THAT HIS YOUNGER BROTHER NAME HAD GONE TO NORTH VIETNAM SOMETIME DURING 1946 OR 1947. ACCORDING TO SOURCE HIS FATHER WAS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE NATIONAL RAILROAD SYSTEM UNDER THE FRENCH (HOA IA) AND MOVED TO THE NORTH BECAUSE OF HIS JOB AND NOT DUE TO ANY POLITICAL REASONS. SOURCE LOST CONTACT WITH HIS FAMILY AFTER THEY MOVED TO THE NORTH AND DID NOT HEAR ABOUT THEM UNTIL MAY 1975 WHEN A FRIEND OF HIS FATHER'S MR. NAME WHO WAS THE FORMER HEAD OF THE DRV CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT, CAME TO HO CHI MINH CITY (HCM CITY) IN MAY 1975.

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NAME VISITED THE HOME OF SOURCE'S GRANDFATHER

WHERE HIS UNCLE RESIDED AT SAIGON. SOURCE RESIDED AT THU DUC AND DID NOT GET THE NEWS THAT HIS FAMILY WAS ALIVE AND WELL IN THE NORTH UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1975 WHEN HIS MOTHER WAS PERMITTED TO VISIT HIM WHILE HE WAS UNDER DETENTION AT THU DUC WOMEN'S PRISON. NAME LISTED THE FOLLOWING RELATIVES:
FATHER - NAME 75-76 Y/O POB SAIGON, WAS FORMER EMPLOYEE OF MINISTRY OF CULTURE (NOT SURE OF POSITION BUT HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH PUTTING ON PLAYS OR SKITS)
MOTHER - NAME 67 Y/O POB HUE OR DANANG, HOUSEWIFE.
SISTER - NAME 47 Y/O POB DANANG, MATERNITY NURSE FOR STATE MEDICAL SYSTEM (DRV-SRV).
BROTHER - NAME 45-46 Y/O POB DANANG, CPT IN PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE, WORKED AS INSTRUCTOR AT HIGHWAY POLICE SCHOOL (CANH SAT CONG LO) IN THU DUC AFTER MOVING SOUTH IN 1974.
BROTHER - NAME 41 Y/O (IDENTITY DOCUMENTS INDICATE 38 Y/O) FORMER SECURITY POLICE OFFICER, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (BO NOI VO-BRV). DOB DANANG, CURRENTLY RESIDING IN DATA.
BROTHER - NAME 36 Y/O DOB DANANG, BOAT PILOT FOR DRV-SRV STATE COOPERATIVE AT VIET TRI CARRYING TIMBER ON RED RIVER FROM VIET TRI TO HANOI.
SISTER - NAME 17 Y/O DOB NORTH-VIETNAM, BUT NOT SURE OF LOCATION, ADMINISTRATIVE CADRE FOR STATE OWNED FACTORY IN GIA THINH PROVINCE.
BROTHER - NAME 22-23 Y/O DOB HANOI CITY, SET IN PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE HCM CITY, PRESENTLY IN GALANG Y.
SISTER - NAME 31 Y/O DOB, NVN BUT NOT SURE OF LOCATION, CADRE FOR STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY IN DANANG CITY. SOURCE LISTED THE FOLLOWING AS RELATIVES IN THE U.S.: WIFE - NAME DOB 1948, CAN THO, LAWYER, CURRENT ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WENT TO H.S. AS BOAT REFUGEE IN 1979. SON - NAME DOB 1971 SAIGON CITY, STUDENT, CURRENT ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WENT TO U.S. AS BOAT REFUGEE IN 1979.
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BROTHER-IN-LAW NAME DATA

AUNT NAME DATA

FORMER WIFE - NAME DATA 41 Y/O CURRENTLY RESIDING WITH SOURCE'S THREE DAUGHTERS IN DATA SOURCE HAS TWO ADDITIONAL SONS NAME WHO ARE PRESENTLY RESIDING IN THE PRC WITH SOURCE (ALSO ESCAPEES). SOURCE STATED THAT AFTER HE WAS ARRESTED THE SCHOOLING OF HIS CHILDREN WAS NOT AFFECTED BY HIM LONG. THEY ALONG WITH HIS FORMER WIFE ALWAYS STATED THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW SOURCE'S WHEREABOUTS AND THAT HE HAD GONE OFF LONG AGO WITH A MINOR WIFE WHEN QUESTIONED BY THE AUTHORITIES. SOURCE STATED THAT HIS NAME WAS TRANSFERRED TO HCM CITY COINCIDENTAL TO SOURCE'S ARREST AND REEDUCATION AND NOT TO HELP OBTAIN SOURCE'S RELEASE. SOURCE AND BROTHER REESTABLISHED CONTACT FOR THE FIRST TIME WHEN THEY MET IN SEPTEMBER 1975. SHORTLY AFTER SOURCE'S RELEASE FROM THU DUC WINTER PRISON. SOURCE FIRST LEARNED THAT HIS WIFE NAME PLANNED TO ESCAPE WHEN SHE CAME TO VISIT HIM AT GIA RAY RE-ED CAMP AT LONG KHANH IN 1976. AT THAT TIME SHE ASKED SOURCE IF SHE SHOULD TRY TO ESCAPE WITH NAME TO THE U.S. SOURCE TOLD HER TO GO SINCE THERE WAS NO OPPORTUNITY FOR HER IN VIETNAM. SOURCE STATED THAT HIS WIFE HAD GRADUATED FROM COLLEGE AT VINH LONG AND COMPLETED GRADUATE LAW SCHOOL AT THE SAIGON UNIVERSITY OF LAW. SOURCE'S WIFE HAD WORKED IN THE LAW OFFICE OF ATTORNEY VO PHUNG THANH ON BUT THI QUANG STREET IN HCM CITY. SOURCE STATED THAT HE WAS NEVER ACTIVE IN ANY RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS BUT DID BELONG TO A FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION FROM 1961 UNTIL 1975 CALLED THE ENGINEERS/ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATION, LOCATED ON HONG BANG STREET IN THE CHO LON AREA OF SAIGON.

E. CONCERNING SOURCE'S ESCAPE: SOURCE WAS RELEASED FROM THE THANH CAN RE-ED CAMP, THANH MUA (P) ON 30 APRIL 1981 AND RETURNED TO HCM CITY ON 2 MAY 1981.

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SOURCE BEGAN PLANNING HIS ESCAPE FROM VIETNAM BY BOAT AND WENT TO HIS FORMER WIFE FOR MONEY. SOURCE'S WIFE HAD A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF GOLD AND DIAMONDS HIDDEN AWAY SINCE HE HAD ALWAYS GIVEN HER MONEY WHILE HE WAS EMPLOYED AS A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER. SOURCE RECEIVED EIGHT TAELS OF GOLD FROM HIS FORMER WIFE AND AGREED TO TAKE TWO SONS NAME'S WITH HIM WHEN HE ESCAPED AND THEY COULD IN TURN APPLY FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION FOR THEIR MOTHER AND THREE SISTERS WHO STILL RESIDED AT VINH LONG. SOURCE ALSO RECEIVED OVER THREE TAELS OF GOLD FROM HIS MOTHER WHO HAD TAKEN CARE OF HIS PROPERTY WHILE HE WAS IN REEDUCATION. SOURCE SOLD ALL OF HIS BELONGINGS INCLUDING HIS FURNITURE AND MANAGED TO RAISE ONE MORE TAE OF GOLD. SOURCE WAS UNABLE TO BUY PASSAGE ON A BOAT FOR HIMSELF AND THE CHILDREN RIGHT AWAY AND ENDED UP SPENDING FOUR TAELS OF GOLD TRAVELING TO CA MAU AND YONG TAU LOOKING FOR A BOAT. SOURCE WAS VERY CAUTIOUS BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND PLACED IN REEDUCATION FOR ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE BY BOAT ALREADY IN RE-EDUCATION FOR ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE BY BOAT AND PLACED IN RE-EDUCATION SINCE HE WAS A SECURITY OFFICER. SOURCE DISCUSSED A PLAN TO WALK ACROSS CAMBODIA WITH HIS BROTHER BUT ABANDONED THE PLAN AS BEING TOO DANGEROUS. IN LATE MAY 1981 SOURCE'S FIRST COUSIN NAME A 23 Y/O WARRANT OFFICER FROM HANOI WAS TRANSFERRED TO HCM CITY. NAME HAD A FRIEND, NAME ALSO A WARRANT OFFICER WHO WAS A FLIGHT ENGINEER. NAME HAD A FRIEND, NAME WHO WAS A WARRANT OFFICER AND HELICOPTER PILOT. NAME INTRODUCED NAME AT HCM CITY AND THEY BECAME FRIENDS. LATER INTRODUCED NAME TO SOURCE AND SUGGESTED THAT THEY PLAN TO ESCAPE FROM VIETNAM BY HELICOPTER. NAME TOLD THE GROUP THAT HE WAS PREPARING TO FLY A HELICOPTER WHICH HAD BEEN BROUGHT DOWN FROM HANOI TO TAN SAN WHAT AIRBASE AT HCM CITY FOR ENGINE REPAIR. NAME TOLD SOURCE AND THE OTHERS IN THE PLANNING GROUP THAT THEY WOULD NEED A BATTERY, A WAY TO GET IN THE BACK OF BACH MAI AIRFIELD, AND ENTRY PERMITS IN CASE THEY WERE DISCOVERED DURING THEIR ESCAPE. SOURCE GAVE 6000 PIASTERS WHICH NAME SPENT ON A TRIP TO HANOI BY COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT AND RETURNED 20 DAYS LATER BROCK. NAME WENT WITH THE MISSION TO CHECK IF THE BACK GATE TO BACH MAI (EMPLOYEE SERVICE GATE) WAS LOCKED AT NIGHT, TO GET PASSES FOR THE AIRFIELD, AND TO PURCHASE A BATTERY.

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NAME WAS SUPPOSED TO ACCOMPLISH HIS MISSION IN FOUR DAYS AND THEN RETURN TO HCM CITY. WHEN RETURNED TO HCM CITY AFTER 20 DAYS AND TOLD SOURCE THAT HE HAD SPENT ALL OF THE MONEY SOURCE WAS VERY ANGRY. NAME STATED THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET PASSES TO THE AIRFIELD, DID NOT BUY A BATTERY, DID NOT CHECK ON THE BACK GATE OF THE AIRFIELD BUT HAD BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH A YOUNG LADY WHOM HE HAD DECIDED TO TALK ALONG WITH THE ESCAPE. SOURCE THEN DECIDED TO DROP NAME FROM THE ESCAPE PLAN AND CONTINUED PLANNING WITH NAME'S SOURCE ALONG WITH NAME'S WERE ABLE TO PURCHASE A 24 VOLT BATTERY AND A COMPASS ON THE BLACKMARKET IN CHO LON. SOURCE GAVE 7000 PIASTERS TO NAME'S AND THEY MADE THE ACTUAL TRANSACTION AND BROUGHT THE BATTERY TO SOURCE'S HOUSE. NAME TOLD SOURCE THAT HE WOULD FLY THE HELICOPTER TO HANOI ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1981 AND THAT SOURCE MUST BE READY TO DEPART RIGHT AWAY BECAUSE WEAPONS WOULD BE MOUNTED ON THE HELICOPTER A FEW DAYS AFTER HE ARRIVED IN HANOI MAKING THE HELICOPTER TOO HEAVY FOR LONG RANGE. SOURCE DECIDED TO TAKE ON THE ESCAPE WITH HIM HIS TWO SONS NAME NAME HIS YOUNGER BROTHER NAME AND HIS NEPHEW NAME A PAVN PRIVATE (COMBATANT) WHO HAD DESERTED. BY TALKING ALONG HIS NEPHEW NAME SOURCE WOULD BE ABLE TO STAY AT HIS SISTERS HOUSE IN HANOI UNTIL READY TO DEPART VIETNAM. SOURCE WENT FROM HCM CITY BY TRAIN WITH NAME AND HIS SISTER NAME NAME'S CARRIED THE BATTERY IN A LARGE CANVASS BAG. THE GROUP WAS PRECEDED ONE DAY BY NAME WHO WENT AHEAD TO CHECK OUT THE SITUATION. AFTER THE GROUP ARRIVED IN HANOI THEY WENT BY CYCLE TO 4 LE PHUNG HIEU STREET WHERE SOURCE'S SISTER NAME LIVED. AFTER ARRIVING AT HIS SISTER'S SOURCE WAS CONTACTED BY NAME WHO INTRODUCED HIM TO NAME A WARRANT OFFICER AND MAINTENANCE MAN WHO RESIDED AT TIN LIEN WHICH WAS CLOSE TO BACH MAI AIRFIELD. NAME DECIDED TO INCLUDE NAME IN THE GROUP BECAUSE OF HIS MAINTENANCE BACKGROUND AND BECAUSE HIS HOUSE WOULD PROVIDE A RAUHYING POINT TO INITIATE THE ESCAPE. SOURCE'S NEPHEW NAME WAS ASSIGNED THE MISSION TO GO INTO A WAREHOUSE AT BACH MAI AND CHECK THE BATTERIES

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WHICH WERE STORED THERE TO SEE IF THEY WERE SOVIET OR U.S. SINCE SOME AIRCRAFT HAD BEEN MODIFIED TO USE SOVIET BATTERIES AND WOULD NOT FIT THE BATTERY THAT SOURCE HAD BROUGHT TO HANOI FROM HCM CITY. SOURCE INSISTED THAT THE CHECK BE MADE PRIOR TO CARRYING THE BATTERY INTO THE AIRFIELD (SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE WAS WARNED OF THE BATTERY FITTING PROBLEM BY NAME AT THE TIME HE PURCHASED THE BATTERY). NAME CHECKED IN THE WAREHOUSE AND INFORMED SOURCE THAT THE UHIN AT BACH MAI USED THE SAME TYPE OF BATTERY PURCHASED BY SOURCE (SOURCE CLAIMS THAT HE MADE A DIAGRAM OF THE BATTERY PLUG TO TAKE ALONG TO THE WAREHOUSE). NAME DEPARTED HCM CITY ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1981 AND STAYED OVERNIGHT AT DANANG AND ARRIVED IN HANOI ON 28 SEPTEMBER 1981. SOURCE WAS NOT SURE WHY THE HELICOPTER WAS TAKEN TO HANOI BUT HEARD FROM NORMALLY THREE UHIN MODEL HELICOPTERS WERE MAINTAINED AT BACH MAI FOR TRANSPORTING HIGH RANKING OFFICERS BUT AFTER VIETNAM HAD MOVED TROOPS INTO CAMBODIA ONE UHIN WAS WITHDRAWN FROM SERVICE AT BACH MAI FOR OPERATIONS THERE LEAVING TWO UHIN AT BACH MAI INCLUDING THE ONE RECENTLY REPAIRED. SOURCE DID NOT OBSERVE ANY KEYS USED BY NAME OR ANYONE ELSE. THE GROUP DECIDED ON 20 SEPTEMBER 1981 TO DEPART THE FOLLOWING MORNING. ON THE NIGHT OF THE 24TH SOURCE'S BROTHER NAME WENT TO STAY AT THE HOUSE OF NAME WHICH WAS NEAR THE AIRFIELD PRIOR TO DEPARTING FOR NAME'S HOUSE. NAME AND NEPHEW NAME TOOK THE BATTERY TO A SHOP NEAR THE HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE STAYING ON LE PHUNG HIEU STREET. AFTER CHARGING THE BATTERY NAME TOOK IT BACK TO HOUSE WHERE THEY MET NAME'S SOURCE ALONG WITH SON'S NAME NAME AND NEPHEW NAME TO THE LONG BIEN SOCCER FIELD (VIC N3 891264 HANOI) CITY MAP 1509) WHERE THEY AWAITED THE ARRIVAL OF NAME AND THE REST OF THE GROUP. AT APPROX 0500 HOURS ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1981 NAME ARRIVED AND PICKED UP SOURCE. NAME'S AND TWO FEMALE PASSENGERS WHO NAME DECIDED TO TAKE AT THE LAST MINUTE. WIFE NAME AND HER FRIEND NAME NAME ALSO DECIDED ON THE SOCCER FIELD ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE FIRST CONSIDERING AN AREA APPROX 30 KM FROM BACH MAI AIRFIELD. NAME ACCORDING TO SOURCE FELT THAT THE SOCCER FIELD WOULD BE EASY TO FIND AND WOULD REQUIRE LESS COMPLICATED PLANNING SINCE THE MORE DISTANT SITE WOULD REQUIRE DAYTIME TRAVEL BY SEVERAL PEOPLE. NAME

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FELT THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEMS ENTERING BACH HAI BECAUSE HE WAS ASSIGNED THERE AND WAS AUTHORIZED TO GO IN THE MAIN GATE. NAME HAD GONE EARLY IN THE MORNING AT APPROX 0430 HOURS WITH NAME THROUGH THE MAIN GATE AND MET NAME. NAME HAD CLIMBED OVER THE BACK FENCE. SHORTLY AFTER TAKEOFF FROM THE SOCCER FIELD, SOURCE PUT OUT A RED FLAG ON A BAMBOO STICK FROM BOTH SIDE DOORS OF THE AIRCRAFT (THE RED FLAGS WERE SEEN IN HCM CITY AND CARRIED TO HANOI ALONG WITH THE BATTERY ACCORDING TO SOURCE). NAME HAD STATED TO SOURCE THAT THE RED FLAGS WOULD INDICATE TO PERSONNEL ON THE GROUND THAT THEY WERE ON AN EMERGENCY MISSION. THE GROUP FLEW FROM HANOI NORTH ACROSS THE PRC BORDER WHERE THEY CHANGED THE TWO RED FLAGS TO WHITE FLAGS TO INDICATE SURRENDER. SOURCE DID NOT KNOW THE ALTITUDE OR AZIMUTH BUT STATED THAT THE ALTITUDE MUST HAVE BEEN HIGH BECAUSE THEY FLEW OVER SOME MOUNTAINS. SOURCE STATED THAT THE GROUP NEVER INTENDED TO REACH HONG KONG AND WAS WILLING TO TAKE THEIR CHANCES ON LANDING IN CHINA BECAUSE THEY FELT THEY WOULD BE RESETTLED IN THE U.S. NONE OF THE ESCAPEES WERE COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERS. SOURCE FELT THAT HIS BROTHER NAME WANTED TO GO EVEN THOUGH HE WAS A SECURITY OFFICER, BECAUSE HIS BROTHER (SOURCE) WAS GOING AND NAME HAD BECOME DISILLUSTIONED WITH COMMUNISM. AS FOR THE WARRANT OFFICERS, THEY HAD IN THE PAST BEEN ABLE TO SMUGGLE GOODS FOR RESALE FROM CAMBODIA BUT HAD BEEN DISCIPLINED FOR THEIR CONDUCT AND WERE NO LONGER PERMITTED TO FLY TO CAMBODIA. THE WARRANT OFFICERS WERE ALSO DISPLEASED WITH LOW PAY AND SLOW PROMOTIONS. THE UNIT CARRYING SOURCE AND THE OTHER NINE ESCAPEES LANDING APPROX 40 KM INSIDE THE PRC AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY TAKEN TO BEIJING.

F. COPIES OF REEDUCATION RELEASE DOCUMENTS, DRIVER'S LICENSE, RICE ISSUE PERMIT, AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF SOURCE WILL BE FORWARDED BY SEPARATE LETTER. SOURCE IS WILLING TO VOLUNTARILY SUBMIT TO A POLYGRAPH EXAM.

1966 UNTIL JULY 1967. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE WAS SOURCE SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED

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BY JCRC REP BELL ON 9 MARCH 1982. SOURCE A 28 Y/O MALE VIETNAMESE DEFECTOR/ESCAPEE PROVIDED LIMITED HEARSAY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGED DETENTION OF FIVE U.S. POW'S IN HANOI DURING 1960. SOURCE WAS COOPERATIVE, IN GOOD HEALTH, AND MENTALLY ALERT DURING THE INTERVIEW. SOURCE WAS INTERVIEWED ENTIRELY IN THE VIETNAMESE LANGUAGE WITH NO INTERPRETER PRESENT DURING THE INTERVIEW. WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT THE INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED BY NAME SOURCE READILY ADMITTED THAT HE WAS THE ONE WHO MENTIONED THE DETENTION OF THE FIVE AMERICAN OFFICERS IN THE FIRST PLACE AND SOURCE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE INCIDENT. SOURCE STATED THAT HE OBTAINED THE INFORMATION BY OVERHEARING A CONVERSATION BETWEEN COLONEL NGUYEN VAN THUOC, DEPUTY POLITICAL OFFICER FOR THE SRV AIRFORCE COMMAND AND MG (TRUNG TUONG) CHI WHO WAS CHIEF OF THE GENERAL TECHNOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT (TONG CUC TRUNG TONG CUC KI THUAT). THE CONVERSATION TOOK PLACE AFTER SOURCE HAD TRANSPORTED COL THUOC AND MG CHI TO INSPECT A MAJOR WEAPONS/AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA. SOURCE HAD DEPARTED BACH HAI AIRFIELD, HANOI ON A UMH MODEL U.S. HELICOPTER AND HAD REFUELED AT KIEN AN AIRFIELD NEAR HAI PHONG CITY. SOURCE LANDED NEAR THE FIRST WEAPONS DEPOT WHICH WAS LOCATED VIC YU2527 AND THEN CONTINUED ON TO THE SECOND WEAPONS DEPOT WHICH WAS LOCATED NORTHEAST OF THE CAM PHA MINES VIC YU4426 (SHEET AF 48-12 SERIES 1501). COL THUOC AND MG CHI DECIDED TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT AT THE SECOND DEPOT AND OCCUPIED A ROOM NEAR TO SOURCE. DURING THE INSPECTION TRIP MG CHI HAD PAID CLOSE ATTENTION TO STORAGE AREAS CONTAINING BOMBS OF U.S. MANUFACTURE WHICH HAD BEEN ABANDONED IN THE SOUTH IN 1975. MG CHI RELATED TO COL THUOC THAT HE MUST FIND A WAY TO GAIN THE COOPERATION (HUA CHUCK) OF THE FIVE U.S. PILOTS DUE TO THE KNOWLEDGE THEY POSSESSED. MG CHI SAID THAT THE U.S. AIRFORCE WAS THE MOST ADVANCED IN THE WORLD AND THAT IN THE EVENT OF ANOTHER CHINESE INCURSION IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO HAVE IMPROVED TACTICS TO BLUNT THE OFFENSIVE. SOURCE STATED THAT THE DEPOT AREA WAS PROTECTED BY ELEMENTS OF THE 363RD AIR DEFENSE DIVISION. SOURCE ALSO STATED THAT HE HAD SEEN SOME U.S. AIRCRAFT BEING SHOT DOWN OVER 13 YEARS AGO BUT COULD NOT REMEMBER ANY OF THE DETAILS, EXCEPT THAT THE SHOT DOWNS OCCURRED IN NGHE AN (P). SOURCE STATED THAT THE NAME HARRY NORMAN PROVIDED BY SOURCE

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NOT CORRECT AND THAT THE NAME WAS ACTUALLY NORMAN REED (POSS REED OR REEVES). SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD THE NAME LONG AGO AND THAT THE MAN HAD BEEN RELEASED IN 1973, AS FAR AS HE KNEW. SOURCE BELIEVED THAT THE MAN (NORMAN REED) WAS FORMERLY THE DEPUTY COMMANDER OF KHORAT AIRBASE IN THAILAND PRIOR TO HIS CAPTURE. SOURCE COULD NOT REMEMBER WHERE HE HEARD THE NAME BUT THOUGHT IT WAS THE RESULT OF OVERHEARING CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN HIGH RANKING OFFICERS. WHEN ASKED HOW HE WAS ABLE TO HEAR SO MANY INTERESTING CONVERSATIONS, SOURCE TRIED TO IMPRESS THE INTERVIEWER BY NAMING SOME OF THE IMPORTANT PEOPLE HE FLEW IN HIS AIRCRAFT INCLUDING: MG DOANG VAN CONG, CDR 7TH NA (FLEW RECON OF THAI BORDER 1981), BG HUYN QUANG, DEPUTY CDR 5TH MR DETACHED TO COMMAND ALL MR 5 FORCES OPCON TO THE CAMBODIAN THEATER, BG NAM NGA, DEP CDR MR 9, WHO WAS DETACHED TO COMMAND ALL MR 9 FORCES OPCON TO THE CAMBODIAN THEATER, MG HOANG CAM, CDR 4TH CORPS PAVN, MG HOANG VAN KHANH, CDR AIR DEFENSE FORCES (ALL OF THE ABOVE OFFICERS WENT ON RECON FLIGHTS ALONG THE THAI BORDER), BG TO HOA, CDR 479TH FRONT AT SIEM REAP, LTG LE DUC ANH, DEP CDR PAVN FORCES, SOURCE FLEW NUMEROUS MISSIONS FOR LTG ANH, THE LAST TIME TO SAN RONG IN OTDAR MEANCHHEY (P) TO THE HQ OF A DIVISION (VU1) SUBORDINATE TO THE 479TH FRONT WHICH INCLUDED ONE REGIMENT OF SAPPHERS. SOURCE ALSO FLEW LTG ANH TO KAMPONG SAM HQ FOR 5TH COASTAL ZONE WHERE LTG ANH MET WITH SOVIET ADVISORS (ONE MG AND ONE BG) WHO WERE SUPERVISING CONSTRUCTION OF NAVAL BASE. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD ENTERED THAI AIRSPACE ON ONLY ONE OCCASION WHEN HE STRAYED OVER THE BORDER FOR APPROX THREE KILOMETERS WHEN FERRYING WOUNDED PAVN FROM DOC NON AREA OF OTDAR MEANCHHEY (P). SOURCE STATED THAT HENG SAMRIN OR PAVN FORCES WERE NORMALLY POSTED ALONG THE BORDER WITH SIGNAL FLAGS TO PREVENT ANYONE FROM GOING OVER THE BORDER, BUT ON THAT PARTICULAR DAY HE COULDN'T SEE THEM DUE TO THE FOG. SOURCE STATED THAT ONLY A DIVISION COMMANDER COULD GIVE PERMISSION FOR PAVN TROOPS TO ENTER THAT TERRITORY AND IN NO CASE BEYOND 10 KILOMETERS. PERMISSION COULD BE GRANTED IF THE TROOPS WERE ENGAGED IN CONTACT WITH KHMER ROUGE FORCES AND THAT THE PAVN ELEMENTS WOULD HAVE TO RETURN TO KAMPUCHEA AFTER BREAKING CONTACT

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WITH THE RETREATING FORCES. IF PAVN TROOPS WERE TO REMAIN IN THAILAND AFTER BREAKING CONTACT THE AUTHORITY WOULD HAVE TO BE GIVEN PERSONALLY BY LTG LE DUC ANH. SOURCE STATED THAT FROM LATE DECEMBER 1960 UNTIL EARLY MARCH HE FLEW MISSIONS SEVERAL HOURS PER DAY, SOMETIMES OVER SEVEN HOURS OF FLIGHT TIME FERRYING WOUNDED FROM THE CAO HE LAI (DEFECTORS IN THAILAND REFER TO PHNOM ME LAI AS CAO ME LAI) AREA TO OTHER AIRFIELDS WHERE FIRED WINGED AIRCRAFT FURTHER EVACUATED THEM TO PHNOM PENH. SOME OF THE MEN WERE WOUNDED BY SMALL ARMS AND SOME DUE TO MINES, BUT THE MAJORITY HAD CONTRACTED A SICKNESS WHICH CAUSED UNCONTROLABLE SEIZURES OF COUGHING WITH BLOOD COMING FROM THE NOSE AND MOUTH AND WITH VOMITING WHICH CAUSED AN EXTREMELY FOUL ODOR IN SOURCE'S AIRCRAFT. SOURCE MENTIONED THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL EVACUATED OFTEN REACHED 500 PER DAY AND IN ADDITION TO UHIN HELICOPTERS WERE ALSO EVACUATED BY SOVIET MI 6 AND MI8 HELICOPTERS. SOURCE ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE HAD OBSERVED A PICTURE OF THE CREW OF THE SOVIET AN 26 WHICH HAD CRASH LANDED IN THAILAND AND RECOGNIZED THREE MEMBERS OF THE CREW AS BEING SR LT CHAUNG, THE PILOT, LT QUANG THE COPILOT, AND LT NAM THE LOADMASTER. SOURCE STATED THAT SOME OF THE OTHER PEOPLE LOOKED FAMILIAR BUT THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL THEIR NAMES. SOURCE STATED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THEY HAD BECOME DISORIENTED AS CLAIMED AND SPECULATED THAT THE CREW HAD MUTILATED OR HAD DECIDED TO DEFECT LIKE HIM. SOURCE STATED THAT THE COPILOT, C-NG, HAD TOLD SOURCE DURING 1981 THAT HE WOULD LIVE TO ESCAPE IF HE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY.

5. THE REMAINING SEVEN DEFECTORS/ESCAPEES WERE ALSO INTERVIEWED AND CLAIMED TO HAVE NO INFORMATION CONCERNING POW/MIA'S OR ANY OTHER SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION. HOANG QUAN DOAN, AN AIRFORCE WARRANT OFFICER INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE VALUABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING XIG-21 AIRCRAFT IN USE IN THE SRV, BUT ONLY AFTER HE WAS RESETTLED.

6. COMMENTS: SOME DISCREPANCIES WERE NOTED DURING THE INTERVIEWS OF SOURCES ANH AND NAME. SOURCE DID NOT MENTION HIS YOUNGER BROTHER, NAME, BUT NAME DID CLAIM THAT HE FORGOT SOURCE HE HAD SO MANY. SOURCE CLAIMED HE STUDIED BY CORRESPONDENCE AND NEVER LEFT THE COUNTRY. NAME CLAIMED THAT NAME WAS JUST A LITTLE KID AT BT

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THE TIME AND HAD MOVED TO NYN ANYWAY SO HOW WOULD HE KNOW) NAME CLAIMED HE WENT NORTH IN 1948 VICE 1946 OR 47 BY NAME NAME CLAIMED THAT NAME WAS TOO YOUNG TO REMEMBER) NAME STATED THAT NAME WAS GIVEN GOLD PIASTERS FOR THE TRIP TO HANOI VICE 6000 BY NAME ADMITTED THAT NAME PROVIDED ALL THE MONEY AND THAT HE WAS USUALLY BROKE, NAME WHEN CONFRONTED WHIPPED OUT TOW TALS OF GOLD FROM HIS POCKET AND SAID THAT WAS ALL HE HAD LEFT AND THAT HE HAD BEEN TAKEN TO THE CLEANERS BY THE WHOLE GROUP) NAME STATED THAT THE BATTERY PURCHASED WAS 4800 PIASTERS VICE 7000 /76 NAME AGAIN ADMITTED NOT PAYING THE MONEY AND NAME SAID NAME PROBABLY FORGOT TO INCLUDE THE COST OF THE COMPASS) THE REMAINDER OF THE GROUP (EXCLUDING NAME) TWINS AND NEPHEW) BLAMED THEIR CURRENT STRAIT ALL ON NAMES THEY SAID THAT THEY WERE DECEIVED BY NAME ONE OF THE ORIGINAL PLANNERS, INTO BELIEVING THAT NAME WAS A COLONEL WHO WORKED FOR THE AMERICAN CIA AND THAT NAME WAS A SR CPT IN THE CONG AN WHO WAS ABLE TO SPEAK CHINESE. THEY HAD BEEN LED TO BELIEVE THAT THEY WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEMS AFTER LANDING IN THE PRC SINCE NAME WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING. THEY FURTHER STATED (IN A HIGHLY EMOTIONAL MANNER) THAT THEY WERE BEING RESETTLED IN CHINA RATHER THAN THE U.S., AND IF THEY HAD WANTED TO LIVE IN A COMMUNIST COUNTRY THEY WOULD HAVE REMAINED IN VIETNAM. THEY CLAIMED THAT THEY WERE ENTICED BY USA RADIO BROADCASTS AND ALSO DUE TO THE RESULTS OF A HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE HELD IN MANILA CONCERNING REFUGEES. THEY ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THEY WERE VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING U.S. STATUTES CONCERNING IMMIGRATION AND REFUGEE STATUS. THEY SAID THEY HAD EVERY REASON TO FEAR FOR THEIR LIVES IF THEY REMAINED IN CHINA DUE TO THE HOSTILITY BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THEY WERE EMPHATIC THAT SINCE THEY WERE MEMBERS OF THE AIRFORCE AND HAD DEFECTED WITH A HELICOPTER THEY MUST BE CONSIDERED AS POLITICAL REFUGEES RATHER THAN ECONOMIC REFUGEES AND THAT THEY FELT THEY MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE 1980 REFUGEE ACT. OF THE ENTIRE GROUP WAS THE MOST FORTHCOMING AND DID NOT EVER TRY TO BARGAIN ANY INFORMATION. HIS KNOWLEDGE OF THE REEDUCATION CAMP SYSTEM AND THE MEMORY SKETCHES THAT HE PROVIDED

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: 10 Viet Refugees in Beijing.

Reference: Phonecon from CIA/DDO/EA/VLK analysts to Analyst (DIA/DI-7C), 4 Mar 82, subj: SAB.

DDO/EA/VLK has received informal cable summary of info obtained by PARS during brief interview with Source SRV MOI officer. Initial assessment is that SC background legend re his entire career in MOI is phoney.

Analysts were in general agreement that most pressing immediate problems/questions are:

- To obtain sufficient details to be able to sort out SC (at least) true position and scope of knowledge.
- How to persuade Source to begin telling the truth about themselves.
- What was SC (and his associates') reason for going into the PRC?
- Why are they not being truthful; and if they begin telling a part of the truth, how do we separate the true statements from the fabrications? (We could agree that in principal we could understand a certain amount of attempts to bargain and withhold for reward; however, Source's performance exceeded the understandable and unacceptable fabrication.)
- There was general agreement that it is incumbent on , et al, to demonstrate complete and sincere truth and cooperation as a necessary precondition to any consideration of bringing them to the U.S. There can be no negotiations regarding this point, because experience has given overwhelming demonstration that when a source is rewarded for fabrications overseas and brought into the U.S., the source continues to fabricate and seldom supplies any usable information.

The fact that SC has accurate knowledge of certain sensitive information regarding the internal workings of the MOI leaves little doubt that he had a fairly good access to information within the MOI headquarters. On the other hand, he can not demonstrate knowledge that he should have if he were, as he claimed, a member Source data. It appears more likely that he was a member of either:

Source data

- Might be dispatched and targeted against PRC or U.S.
- Should have had access to current info re SRV targeting of U.S., to include exploitation of U.S. PWs and the PW issue.
- Could have been involved in the interrogation of U.S. PWs prior to 1975.
- Could have had access to info re detention camps in SRV.

Miscellaneous info re MOI.

- MOI runs all detention camps in SRV; including those run by Doan 776.
- Doan 776 was overt MOI outfit. Internal guard force, etc, were all uniformed MOI men. The uniforms appeared to be military, thus inmates at these camps probably mistook them for military men.
- KH-5 = MOI Prison Department.
- K-30 = Old designation for Cục Dịch Vụ, Tổng Cục Chính Trị, Bộ Quốc Phòng (Enemy Proselyting Dept, of General Political Directorate, Ministry of Defense). K-30 had its offices in the same "U" shaped building as the MOI HQ. K-30 was MOI under military cover.
- Political Security Section is on 1st (ground) floor of MOI HQ (?).
- KD-1 has entire 2nd floor.
- KE-1 through 4 has entire 3rd floor.
- KD-2-4 on 4th (poss. 5th) floor.

Example of specious info from

- Claims 5 year Police Officer School:
 - o But, 25/120 grads asgnd to K-49 (i.e., KD-1); this can't be true because of career progression/training patterns.
 - o But, claimed that worked for U.S. in SVN. Can't be true, because a rigid requirement is that no candidate can be permitted any bourgeois family members.

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was in SVN, was working for the MTGPMNVN.

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B. JCRC RPT M86-063 MSG 140955Z OCT 86

1. REF A SUGGESTS THAT SUBJECT INDIVIDUAL CONTINUES TO BE ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SRVIS. REF B IS THE PRELIMINARY REPORT ON JCRC INTERVIEW WITH KUALA LUMPUR WALK-IN SOURCE

2. DURING THE INTERVIEW NOTED IN REF B, SOURCE SAID HE COULD RECALL THE NAMES OF ONLY THREE OF HIS FELLOW PRISONERS. SOURCE CLAIMS THAT ALL THREE WERE HELD IN SON TAY K2 PRISON, AND THAT ALL HAVE SINCE BEEN RELEASED.

3. THESE THREE PERSONS ARE:
 - LEO (PROBABLY DDEO) VAWN CHEES RELEASED IN 1985 AND PRESENTLY LIVING IN HCMC (NFI);
 - NGUYEENX CAO QUYEEENF, FORMER RVN AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, RELEASED 2 MAY 86 AND PRESENTLY LIVING IN HCMC AT THE "NHAF TAAPJ THEER" AT "NGAX 6" (NFI), AND

4. SOURCE SAYS THAT NAME WAS RELEASED FROM K2 IN EARLY 1982 AND THAT HE HAD GONE TO CHINA "WITH HOANG VAN HOAN".

5. SOURCE STATED THAT ALL THREE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE HEARSAY EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE LIVE SIGHTING BY SOURCE OF 123 AMERICAN PRISONERS STILL BEING HELD AT SON TAY K3.

6. IN LIGHT OF CURRENT CONCERN ABOUT SUBJECT INDIVIDUAL, WE BELIEVE THIS INFORMATION TO BE OF SUFFICIENT INTEREST TO MERIT SEPARATE MSG PRIOR TO

TRANSMISSION OF DETAILED REPORT ON SOURCE OF REF B.
(DETAILED REPORT IN FINAL STAGES OF COMPLETION.)

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In July 3rd 1985

Dear Sir

Perhaps my letter give you a surprise. I wish good luck for you and your family. My name Source who is a Vietnam refugee is living temporary in Lang Cheng refugee camp, P.O BOX 50 Quang Xi province, The People's Republic of China. Now I have got a problem, which is the missing soldiers of the United States of America being arrested in Vietnam that I want to talk with you and your people.

A few years ago I was a security officer who graduated at the security officer department on July 31st 1970 in Hanoi Vietnam. Then I had been dismissed my duty and arrested in jail in the Vung Tau camp. A traitor to my country, I was judged by the Vietnamese communist party. Then I broke out of the cell and made my escape. As I take office, I know a few secret things. I think that it will be an advantage to you and your country. After both nations Vietnam - the United States of America signed the Treaty Agreement of Paris, Vietnam would have to deport the most of the pilots and the American soldiers, war prisoners of American who was arrested by Vietnam in Vietnam war, to the United States of America. But Vietnam had not deported all them so that there are a few soldiers are

being imprisoned in the secret camps, I have looked at you and then
 I have still known somewhere... the Vietnamese Government now putting
 them in and others details. Very, very regret. I can't return to
 Vietnam in order to research exactly this problem, as I believe
 that with my knowledge I can help you, the families of the missing
 soldiers, the veterans of the Vietnamese war and the House of Re-
 presentatives members to struggle to find out and request the
 Vietnamese Government to deport them who are dying day after day
 in prison of Vietnam.

Help me please, I want to collaborate with you and CIA
 if I have condition, I will find out the Vietnamese spy organi-
 zation that sent to the foreign nations in the refugees and others way
 after 1975. In the time, I had been trained on the department.
 I know the officers who have taken their duty to do on the foreign
 nations. I have, too many problems which I want to tell you and
 I can't say any details in this. If you want to see more about you
 will be confidential with me or I do so.

I hope that this letter be will be the first relations between
 you and I. I beg you as if you don't need it, you would keep
 this secret or would you send my proposal to the missing
 soldiers' families, the veterans or the House of Representatives

I want to tell them and the Americans and people in the world
 about the truth I know. I'm much obliged to you. When I
 came here I did not as soon as write to you because I did
 not know English, I teach myself English, I like to do
 the mistake, hoping you excuse me. I do hope forward
 you to answer. Thank you very much.

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- REF: A. DIA TRANSMITTAL LTR (S-4602/DC-2), 7 OCT 83 (NOTAL).
- B. USDAO PAK MSG, DTG 200303Z JAN 84 (NOTAL).
- C. JCRC DKA MSG, DTG 090610Z APR 84 (NOTAL).
- D. JCRC-LNB REPORT HK84-040, 11 APR 84 (NOTAL).
- E. JCRC-LNB REPORT HK84-040, 17 APR 84 (NOTAL).
- F. DIA/DC-2 MSG, DTG 251636Z MAR 85.
- G. RPT 317/09237-84, SURJ: INTERVIEW OF U.S. PWS IN HANOI CTCA NOV 79 (U) (NOTAL).

1. REF A WAS REQUEST BY DIA FOR INTERVIEW OF SOURCE WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE OBSERVED U.S. POWS IN HANOI ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS AND FURTHER REQUESTED THAT OTHER SOURCES BE INTERVIEWED CONCERNING THE LY NAM OF AREA. REF B WAS RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF SOURCE WHEREIN REF C WAS RESULTS OF INTERVIEW OF NAME WHEREIN HE CLAIMED TO HAVE ONLY HEARSAY INFORMATION CONCERNING U.S. POWS. REF D WAS INTERVIEW OF NAME AND NAME. REF E WAS INTERVIEW OF NAME AND NAME REINTERVIEW AND POLYGRAPH OF NAME AND NAME. REF F PROVIDED A FIRSTHAND ACCOUNT BY NAME OF THE SIGHTING IN 1979 OF 10 POWS IN HANOI.

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2. Source WAS REINTERVIEWED ON 31 MAY 85 IN HET LING CHAI.

A. SOURCE INITIALLY RELATED A FAIRLY SIMILAR ACCOUNT OF HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING OF APPROX 10 MALE CAUCASIANS AT THE FILM CENSORSHIP HALL IN THE NGA TU SO AREA OF HANOI BUT WAS UNSURE OF THE TIMEFRAME. SOURCE WAS ALSO LESS SPECIFIC REGARDING HIS DESCRIPTION OF THE 10 AMERICANS HE CLAIMED TO HAVE OBSERVED. SOURCE AGREED TO BE EXAMINED BY POLYGRAPH TO PROVE THE VERACITY OF HIS INFORMATION.

B. SUBSEQUENT TO THE INTERVIEW, SOURCE RETURNED TO THE INTERVIEW ROOM AND STATED THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO TAKE A POLYGRAPH EXAM. SOURCE ADMITTED THAT HE HAD LIED CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING OF 10 U.S. PWS AND GAVE AS HIS REASON FOR LYING HIS DESIRE TO MAKE HIS STORY MORE BELIEFABLE SO THAT THE U.S. WOULD TRY HARDER TO FIND AMERICANS WHICH HE ASSUMED WERE STILL BEING HELD. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE ASSUMED THAT U.S. PWS WERE STILL BEING HELD BECAUSE THERE WERE CONSTANT RUMORS IN VIETNAM INDICATING THAT THEY WERE BEING HELD, ALTHOUGH SOURCE WAS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE ANY SPECIFIC INFORMATION OF WHICH HE HAD BASED HIS ASSUMPTION.

C. SOURCE WAS THEN ADVISED THAT HE WOULD NOT BE GIVEN AN EXAM UNLESS HE WOULD VOLUNTARILY AGREE AND SINCE HE WOULD NOT VOLUNTARILY AGREE HE WAS ASKED TO PROVIDE A TRUE AND ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF ANY AND ALL POW/IA INFORMATION WHICH HE COULD RECALL. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD NUMEROUS RUMORS CONCERNING U.S. PWS DURING THE TIME OF THE WAR BUT COULD RECALL NO SPECIFICS. SOURCE CITED AS HIS SOURCE OF THESE RUMORS NUMEROUS ENCOUNTERS WITH RESIDENTS (N/V) OF HANOI DURING BEER DRINKING SESSIONS AT THE REFRESHMENT STANDS IN HANOI. CONCERNING HIS PREVIOUS CLAIM OF HAVING SEEN 10 U.S. PWS IN THE NGA TU SO AREA, SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE HAD ONLY HEARD ABOUT 10 U.S. PWS WHO WERE FILMED IN THE NGA TU SO AREA. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE HEARD THE STORY FROM A MAN KNOWN TO HIM AS NAME (NAME) APPROX 40 YRS NATIVE OF NVN (EXACT POW UNK) WHO HAD WORKED AS A DRIVER FOR THE HANOI FILM FACTORY. SOURCE DID NOT RECALL ANY SPECIFIC TIMEFRAME OF NAME ALLEGED SIGHTING NOR COULD HE RECALL WHEN HE HEARD THE STORY BUT THOUGHT THAT HE HAD HEARD THE STORY FROM NAME SOMETIME AFTER THE 1975 "LIBERATION". SOURCE DID RECALL THAT THE SOURCE OF THE STORY WAS BEFORE THE CLOSURE OF THE HANOI FILM FACTORY (YOUNG PATH HANOI), THE NG DANG AN,

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DEPARTED IN OPEN AREA FACTORY IN SAIGON AND THAT HE DEPARTED BEFORE THE 1975 "LIBERATION". SOURCE STATED THAT WHEN HE DEPARTED FROM VIETNAM IN 1982 NAME WAS EMPLOYED AS A DRIVER FOR THE FRESH FOODS COMPANY (CUNG TY TUOI SONG). SOURCE STATED THAT WHILE DRINKING BEER AT A REFRESHMENT STAND ON PHUNG HUNG STREET IN HANOI, HE ONCE OBSERVED SOME CAUCASIANS (NOT SURE OF NUMBER BUT THOUGHT THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN TWO OR THREE) PASS BY IN A SMALL MILITARY "CU-HAN-CA" (COMMAND CAR) VEHICLE. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE SAW THE CAR WITH THE CAUCASIANS TURNING FROM PHUNG HUNG ONTO LY NAM DE STREET. SOURCE COULD NOT RECALL THE YEAR OF HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING BUT SEEMED TO RECALL BT

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THAT IT WAS BEFORE THE END OF THE WAR. SOURCE STATED THAT ON ONE OTHER OCCASION WHILE HE WAS RIDING A TRAIN FROM HAI PHONG TO HANOI HE LOOKED DOWN FROM THE TRAIN AND OBSERVED SIX OR SEVEN (LATER CHANGED TO SEVEN OR EIGHT) CAUCASIANS WEARING WHITE SHORT SLEEVED SHIRTS AND SHORT PANTS. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE SAW THE CAUCASIANS IN A COMPOUND BETWEEN THE RAILROAD AND LY NAM DE STREET NEAR A RAILROAD TRESTLE. (SOURCE WAS NOT SURE BUT POINTED OUT A TRESTLE WHICH PASSES OVER LY NAM DE STREET.) SOURCE CLAIMED THAT AT THE TIME OTHER PASSENGERS RIDING ON THE TRAIN SAID THAT THE COMPOUND WHERE HE SAW THE CAUCASIANS WAS A POW CAMP FOR AMERICAN PILOTS. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL THE TIME OF HIS SIGHTING BUT STATED THAT HE THOUGHT THAT IT WAS PRIOR TO 1975. SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE NO FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING U.S. POW/MIA.

- U. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE FIRST MET NAME SOMETIME DURING LATE 1960 AT A BEER STAND ON PHUNG HUNG STREET NEAR THE JUNCTION OF PHUNG HUNG AND LY NAM DE. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT NAME WAS ONLY A CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE EVEN THOUGH SOURCE ESCAPED ON THE SAME BOAT WITH HIM. (SOURCE'S BOAT NUMBER AND NAME BOAT NUMBER ARE ONLY ONE APART SD AND DATA WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT THEY WERE STANDING NEXT TO EACH OTHER IN LINE DURING IN-PROCESSING IN HONG KONG.) SOURCE AND NAME ALSO RESIDED

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IN THE SAME BUILDING AND SAME ROOM WHILE IN CHIMAWAN CAMP PRIOR TO BEING TRANSFERRED TO HEI LING CHAU. SOURCE'S CAMP I.D. NUMBER AND THE NUMBER OF NAME DATA SD ARE IN SEQUENCE WHICH WOULD INDICATE THAT THEY WERE AGAIN STANDING IN LINE TOGETHER DURING PROCESSING INTO HEI LING CHAU. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE HAD TALKED WITH NAME IN THE CAMPS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS BUT THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL HAVING SPECIFICALLY DISCUSSED THE ISSUE OF AMERICANS HELD PRISONER IN VIETNAM. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE COULD NOT RECALL ANYONE NAMED NAME.

3. SOURCE NAME WAS REINTERVIEWED ON 31 MAY 65 AT HEI LING CHAU.

A. SOURCE NAME ALSO RELATED A SIMILAR ACCOUNT OF HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING OF TWO U.S. PRS IN WHAT HE SPECULATED WAS THE NORTHERN COMMO CENTER BUT CLAIMED THAT HE WAS VERY UNCERTAIN CONCERNING THE TIMEFRAME. SOURCE SEEMED TO RECALL THAT HIS SIGHTING OF THE TWO U.S. PRS OCCURRED SOMETIME DURING 1978 OR 1979 AND FURTHER SPECULATED, BASED ON THE TRAVEL TIME, THAT THE LOCATION OF HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING WAS SOMEWHERE NORTH OF RAO NINH LOAN. (NOTE: DURING THIS TRIP THE IDENTIFIER ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN A LOCATION FOR THE NORTHERN COMMO CENTER BUT WAS ABLE TO LOCATE ONLY ONE OTHER REFUGEE NAME PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED BY JCS IN BEIJING (PRC) WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE SITE. NAME INDICATED THAT THE SITE WAS COLLOCATED WITH THE INDOCHINA RADIO STATION (OAI PHAI THANH DUNG DINH) IN THE SOUT HAT AREA DURING THE WAR WHEN IT WAS EVACUATED THERE AND THAT THE NORMAL LOCATION FOR THE SITE WAS WEST TO NE TAI VILLAGE. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM WILL BE REPORTED SEPARATELY.) SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE COULD RECALL ONLY TWO MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL FILM DOCUMENTARY FACTORY. ONE WAS MR PHUNG, OVER 50 YOA, POB UNKNOWN BUT NATIVE OF NVN AND WAS IN CHARGE OF THE EQUIPMENT SECTION (PHAN XIUNG CU KHU). SOURCE RECALLED ANOTHER CADRE CALLED PHAN, APPROX 50 YOA POB UNKNOWN BUT NATIVE OF NVN, WHO DIED IN A VEHICLE ACCIDENT DURING 1981 WHILE ENROUTE TO GO FILMING AT THE CHINESE BORDER. SOURCE STATED THAT THE CENTRAL FILM DOCUMENTARY FACTORY (SINH DU) WAS DIVIDED INTO FOUR SECTIONS INCLUDING THE EQUIPMENT SECTION (PHAN XIUNG CU KHU), THE PROCESSING SECTION (PHAN XUONG TU TRANG), THE EDITING SECTION (PHAN XIUNG AN THANH), SOURCE COULD NOT REMEMBER OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION. SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE NO FURTHER INFO-ATTOR CONCERNING POWS IN INCLUDING ANY FURTHER DETAILS.

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CONCERNING HIS ALLEGED SIGHTING OF U.S. PRS IN CENTRAL VIETNAM DURING 1969.

B. SOURCE CLAIMED THAT HE HAD KNOWN NAME SINCE 1962 WHEN NAME CAME TO VISIT SOURCE'S NEIGHBOR IN HANOI. SOURCE STATED THAT HE HAD SPOKEN WITH SUIKCE FREQUENTLY WHILE BOTH OF THEM RESIDED IN CHIMAWAN AND HEI LING CHAU CAMPS. SUIKCE STATED THAT HE SEEMED TO RECALL HAVING DISCUSSED U.S. PRS WITH NAME BUT CLAIMED THAT HE COULD NOT REMEMBER ANY DETAILS OF THE CONVERSATIONS. SOURCE RECALLED THAT NAME HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD REPORT- BT

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