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Q. What did they think of this?

A. They didn't say anything about it. When Lieutenant CALLEY was my platoon leader he never stopped the men from doing any ransacking of the villages, or messing with the women, or nothing. He just let them go.

Q. How about Lieutenant BROOKS?

A. Lieutenant BROOKS was most of the time the same way. Sometimes if he saw a higher officer or Captain MEDINA was near, he would tell the guys to cut it out, but otherwise he would let them go also.

Q. With the men doing all these acts, would you say that the officers, in this case the platoon leaders, had control of their men?

A. No, I don't think they did.

Q. Mr. PARTSCH, you indicated that the officers saw the men doing these acts, and you stated that they had no control over their men. Could you explain this?

A. They could have stopped their men, but the lieutenants never did. They would just let them go on. If he would have told them to stop they would have done it behind his back anyway. Sometimes Lieutenant CALLEY would also do the same stuff. He would rough up the villagers. He would destroy the village the same way they did--the regular way the platoon would. To me Lieutenant CALLEY wasn't a very good platoon leader. He would do the same things as the other guys would do.

Q. Mr. PARTSCH, is there anything else that you would like to add to what you have previously testified to?

A. No, I don't think so.

Q. Again, Mr. PARTSCH, I thank you. The hearing is recessed.

(The hearing recessed at 1943 hours, 30 January 1970.)

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