

WITNESS STATEMENT

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SWORN STATEMENT

I, ANDRE C R FEHER, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

On 24 December 1969, Mr Vo LUU was interviewed by me in the presence of 1st LT John C WOOD, SSN: , HQ MACV, APO San Francisco 96222, acting as an interpreter. This interview was started at 1050 hours, and was completed at 1400 hours. A one hour lunch break was taken. LUU is a detainee at the Province Interrogation Center at Quang Ngai, which is operated by the Vietnamese National Police. LUU is of average intelligence but was reluctant to answer questions. He repeatedly tried to leave the interview room and had to be asked to remain. In 1968 LUU started to work for the VC in Truong An, Son My Village, Son Tinh District. In 1969, LUU came over to the side of the Government of South Vietnam, after reading propaganda leaflets. When it was apparent that LUU was reluctant to answer questions, he was informed that he had no reason to be afraid, since this investigation was conducted with the sanction of the South Vietnamese Government. LUU expressed a willingness to cooperate, but still remained reluctant. For some unknown reason LUU seemed to be afraid to mention any names. He continuously through the interview stated that he did not know any names of survivors or their relatives. It is the opinion of LT WOOD, who has had dealings with VC prisoners and defectors to our side, that LUU does not want to endanger his new status. He is only one month in the Province Interrogation Center and is reluctant to give any information, that might be embarrassing to the Government of Vietnam, especially since the Government of South Vietnam has already made a statement that the incident in question was VC propaganda. LUU did state to Lt WOOD that he did not want to talk about the incident, since he just had changed sides. Nevertheless an attempt was made to interview LUU.

Personal Data of LUU is as follows:

NAME: Vo LUU
ID#: None
ADDRESS: Truong An, Son My (V), Son Tinh(D) Quang Ngai Province, RVN.
DOB: 25 years old
POB: Xom Truanf An, Son My (V), Son Tinh(D), Quang Ngai Province, RVN
SEX: male
Education: Elementary school (reading and writing)
Marital Status: Married (one child)
Occupation: Farmer, stone cutter.
that

Interview of LUU revealed on the 18th of the 2nd month of the lunar calendar year 1968, which according to our calendar is 16 March 1968, LUU was residing at Truong An, which is about 1 kilometer southwest of My Lai(4) (Thuan Yen-Tu Cung) LUU had gone to work at about 0900 hours in the paddies, when he heard helicopters and shooting. With the aid of a small sketch LUU indicated that the helicopters landed somewhere south east of My Lai(4) LUU observed the helicopters coming down and heard the shooting start. LUU however on that day did not go to My Lai(4) but after work went back to his hamlet. On 17 March 68, the day after the incident, LUU went to

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STATEMENT OF ANDRE C R FEHER TAKEN AT QUANG NGAI, DATED 24 DEC 69 (CONT'D)

8 My Lai(4)(Thuan Yen-Tu Cung). The attached prepared sketch was utilized and LUU indicated that he had entered My Lai(4) on the trail where HEADLO and CALLEY, allegedly shot several civilians.. LUU observed a pile of bodies on the "trail". He was not able to say how many, but indicated that there were many. The pile of bodies was approximately 200 meters up the "trail" from the road that leads from Son My Village to the Sea. LUU stated that he had reached the aforementioned trail by walking through the paddies over dykes from Truong An to My Lai(4). When LUU was shown color photograph # 16, he was not able to say if this was the pile that he observed on 17 March 68. LUU then started to walk along the outskirts of My Lai(4) in an easterly direction. East of the hamlet he observed several people and LUU walked over to that location. LUU estimated that the location where the people were gathered was about 50 meters east of the hamlet. (It is possible that at the time of the incident the eastern portion extended farther than shown on the aerial photographs taken in 69) When LUU arrived at the location where several people were gathered he observed a ditch in which there were many bodies. The bodies consisted of old men, women, children and younger men. He cannot say how many bodies were in the ditch. However he said that there were many. LUU was told by the people at the ditch that the people that were dead had been killed by the Americans on the previous day. LUU maintained that he did not know any of the people standing at the ditch. However he admitted knowing Do CHUC. It was then disclosed that Do CHUC is a distant relative of LUU. However he still maintained that he did not know anybody else in the hamlet. LUU related that maybe once or twice a month he visited Do CHUC in MY Lai(4). At this point LUU admitted that he helped to bury 5 people that were in the ditch. He stated that these people were buried a short distance east of the ditch. Asked if he would be able to point out the grave site, LUU answered in the negative. He went as far to say that he was not going there. LUU was not able to say how many people were in the burial party. He also stated that he did not know if there were any North Vietnamese troops, VC guerillas or elements of the 48th VC Bn in My Lai(4) on 16 March 68 or prior to that date. It is the opinion of this investigator, and LT WOOD, that LUU knows more than he lets on, but that he is afraid to talk, for reasons mentioned in the beginning of this statement. No other information could be obtained from LUU and the interview was terminated. 2

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Andre C R Feher

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I, ANDRE C R FEHER HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1 AND ENDS ON PAGE 3. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ENTIRE STATEMENT MADE BY ME. THE STATEMENT IS TRUE. I HAVE INITIALED ALL CORRECTIONS AND HAVE INITIALED THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE CONTAINING THE STATEMENT. I HAVE MADE THIS STATEMENT FREELY WITHOUT HOPE OF BENEFIT OR REWARD, WITHOUT THREAT OF PUNISHMENT, AND WITHOUT COERCION, UNLAWFUL INFLUENCE, OR UNLAWFUL INDUCEMENT.

WITNESSES:

John C Wood
1st LT JOHN C WOOD

HQ's MACV, APO SF 9622

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Handwritten signature of Andre C R Feher

(Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 24 day of December, 1969 at Quang Ngai City, RVN

Handwritten signature of Kenneth P McLehlan

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

KENNETH P McLEHLAN, Crim Inves
(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

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Mỹ Lai Namlet

MR Vo Lou

Ấp Mỹ Lai (4)

Tram An

Route 19

Đường 19 (Coast Road)

Place 190000

Bodies

Burial site
of 5 people

