

WITNESS STATEMENT

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LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME MCLELLAN, Kenneth Paul	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO.		GRADE CW2
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SWORN STATEMENT

I, Kenneth Paul McLellan, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

INVESTIGATOR'S STATEMENT

On 27 Dec 69, an interview with Nguyen Thi THI began at 1135 hours and terminated at 1510 hours, with an hour lunch period. It was conducted through SA Allan B. MADDOX, Interpreter. THI's personal data is:

Name: Nguyen Thi THI
ID#: None
Address: Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
DOB: 1924
POB: Tu Cung Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
Occupation: Farmer
Sex: Female
Marital Status: Married

THI stated substantially as follows: Early one morning in Mar 1968 she was in her home in Tu Cung Village, (My Lai #4) with her son Do BA, age 15; a daughter Do Thi IAN, age 12; a daughter Do Thi DIEU, age 8; and a daughter Do Thi HUE, age 6. Attempts to orient her with a sketch of Tu Cung village to locate her home and other buildings were unsuccessful. She could only state that her home was located on a main trail, inside the village, that led to the village church. Her husband had left the house and was working in the rice fields. His name is Do CAM, age 40. Another daughter, Do Thi HUONG, age 10, was away in Saigon, RVN. She heard gunfire and was told that American soldiers had come to the village. She took her children from the house and hid in an underground bunker. Except for Do BA who ran to another bunker. Shortly after she heard voices saying "Di Di" and assumed it was the American soldiers telling villagers in a nearby bunker to get out. Sometime later she ran from the bunker with her three daughters and made her way to another village for safety. A few days later she met with her son Do BA who told her that the American soldiers found him in the bunker with a group of villagers and made them come out. They were then taken to a field outside the village where another group of villagers had been gathered by the soldiers. Some of the soldiers shot into the group that was gathered and killed and wounded many villagers. Do BA was shot in the neck and in the right hand. The wound in the hand resulted in Do BA having two of his fingers amputated at a hospital. No other members of her family were injured by the soldiers. She never saw the American soldiers that day and could add nothing further to the interview. American soldiers had been to the village on two previous occasions and there was no shooting or any type of trouble. A photograph of THI was obtained.

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I, Kenneth Paul McLellan HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1 AND ENDS ON PAGE 2. 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:

SA Allan B. MADDOX

524th MI Det, APO SF 96307

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Kenneth Paul McLellan
(Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 27 day of Dec, 1969 at Quang Ngai, RVN

Arvil J. Kirk Jr.
(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

ARVIL J. KIRK JR

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

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