

74 TONG **WITNESS STATEMENT**

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

I, Kenneth Paul McHallen, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH.

INVESTIGATOR'S STATEMENT

On 3 Jan 70 an interview with Truong TONG, conducted through SA Nicholas A. VONZAMIDES, Interpreter, at LZ Bayonet, RVN, began at 1045 hours and terminated at 1130 hours. TONG's personal data is:

Name: Truong TONG
 ID#: None
 Address: Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 DOB: 1924
 POB: Tu Cung, Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 Occupation: Farmer
 Sex: Male
 Marital Status: Widower

TONG stated substantially as ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Follows: He was captured by some American soldiers on 3 Jan 70 and is being held a PW. He formerly lived in My Khe #3 with his wife Nguyen Thi TRON, age 42; his daughter Truong Thi TIEN, age 17; and his sons Truong NGOC, age 11; Truong CU, age 3; and Truong CUI, age 1. The home was located at the base of a mountain and a highway ran close by the mountain. He could not furnish any date except to say that early one morning about two years ago his wife and daughter TIEN left home to go to another village. He went to work in the rice fields. During the late afternoon his wife and daughter had not returned home and he walked up the highway to try and locate them. He could not recall how long he was walking or how far up the highway he had walked, but he found his wife and daughter dead with bullet holes all over their bodies. He has no idea who killed them or how it may have happened. From this point on he cried continually and he would not respond to questions. There was a short break in the interview, but when it was continued he sat on the floor and cried. The interview was terminated. An attempt made by Inves MOSES to interview TONG on 2 Jan 70 was unsuccessful due to TONG's high emotional state. A photograph of TONG was obtained.

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AFFIDAVIT

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:

Nicholas A. Vontzalides
SA Nicholas A. VONTZALIDES,
HHC, 5th STCA, APO SF 96294
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INITIALS OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

[Signature]
(Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 5th day of Jan, 19 70 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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