

TIEN

WITNESS STATEMENT

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PLACE Quang Ngai, Republic of Vietnam (RVN)	DATE 11 Jan 70	TIME 2100 hrs	FILE NUMBER
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME MCLELLAN, Kenneth Paul	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO.		GRADE CW2

ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

USACIDA, Task Force #2 (RVN Team), Hq MACV, APO SF 96222

SWORN STATEMENT

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

INVESTIGATOR'S STATEMENT

On 11 Jan 70 an interview with Do Thi TIEN, conducted through SA Nicholas A. VONTZALIDES, Interpreter, began at 1045 hours and terminated at 1205 hours. TIEN's personal data is:

Name: Do Thi TIEN
 ID#: None
 Address: Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 DOB: 1956
 POB: Tu Cung, Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 Occupation: Farm Girl
 Sex: Female
 Marital Status: Single

TIEN stated substantially as follows: One morning about the 18th day of the third month (Mar), 1968 she was told by her mother to take some cows to Son Thanh village for grazing. When she left her home in Tu Cung that morning her father Do KY, age 45; her mother Pham Thi HUYENH, age 34; her brother Do HUNG, age 6; and her sisters Do Thi NIUT, age 14; Do Thi THUY, age 8; and Do Thi HAN, age 3; were in the home. She left by the western part of the village and while out in the fields headed for Son Thanh she saw about ten helicopters fly to Tu Cung and start to land. She heard a lot of gunfire and ran toward Son Thanh leaving the cows in the field. She returned to Tu Cung about two days later and was told by some people in the village that her family was killed by the American soldiers. She never saw the bodies of her family but was told they were buried somewhere on the western side of Tu Cung. She went to her former home and found it had been burnt and destroyed. She went back to Son Thanh the same day and lived with a Mrs MY who had a home there and later moved into the Son My Refugee Camp. She recalled American soldiers coming to Tu Cung in the past, but there was no trouble. She identified the elderly man in photograph frame 34A as Buc CHAU and the children as his nephews, but does not know where they are now. She also identified the woman in color photograph #15 who is holding the child and appears to be buttoning her blouse as Do Thi CANG. She could not furnish any additional information. A photograph of TIEN was obtained.

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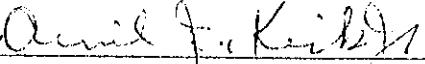
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I, Kenneth Paul McLellan, HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1 AND ENDS ON PAGE 2. I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ENTIRE STATEMENT MADE BY ME. THE STATEMENT IS TRUE. I HAVE INITIALED ALL CORRECTIONS AND HAVE 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.


(Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 11 day of Jan, 1970
at Quang Ngei, RVN


(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

ARVIL J. KIRK JR

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

Art 136 par (b) (4), UCMJ, 1969

(Authority To Administer Oath)

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