

TUONG

WITNESS STATEMENT

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PLACE Quang Nam, Republic of Vietnam (RVN)	DATE 18 Jan 70	TIME 1950 hrs	FILE NUMBER
LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME McKELLAN, Kenneth Paul	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO.		GRADE C/2
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS USAGCDA, Task Force #2 (RVN Team), HQ MACV, APO SF 96222			

SWORN STATEMENT

I, Kenneth Paul McKellan

WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

INVESTIGATOR'S STATEMENT

On 18 Jan 70 an interview with Buoi TUONG, conducted through SA Nicholas A. VOTZMAIDEN, Interpreter, began at 1135 hours and terminated at 1225 hours. TUONG's personal data is:

Name: Buoi TUONG
ID#: None
Address: Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
DOB: 1996
POB: Tu Cong, Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
Occupation: Farmer
Sex: Male
Marital Status: Widower

TUONG stated substantially as follows: On the 18th day of the second month of the lunar calendar, two years ago American soldiers came to Binh Dong Hamlet, which is located east of Thuan Yen (Tu Cong). He could not recall the time of day the soldiers arrived. He was working in the rice fields about a mile south of Binh Dong at the time and he did not find out the soldiers had been to the Hamlet until early the next morning when he returned to Binh Dong. He found his daughter-in-law Do Thi THI, age 33 and his grandsons Buoi XONG, age 8 and Buoi HONG, age 6 all dead of gunshot wounds to the body in a bunker near his home. There were five other dead people in the bunker but he did not know them by name. His home was destroyed by fire, his two water buffalo were shot and killed, and the shed he kept them in was also destroyed by fire. He saw several other dead bodies in the Hamlet that day but he did not know these people by name. He did not help to bury any of the bodies and left the Hamlet that afternoon for Son My and never returned to the Hamlet. His two other grandchildren Buoi SAM, age 11 and Buoi MANH, age 7 fled the Hamlet before the soldiers found them. He later found them and they now reside with him in Son My. His wife and son are deceased but not as a result of the incident in Binh Dong. He has no idea how many people were killed by the American soldiers that day and he knew of no other deceased persons by name. He knew of no rapes committed by American soldiers and did not know of any Viet Cong ever being in the Hamlet. He could not furnish any additional information pertinent to this investigation. He attempted to view photographs of the scene but could not make any identifications due to very poor eyesight. A photograph of TUONG was obtained.

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I, Kenneth Paul McCallion 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:

Paul R. A. McIntosh
SA PROCTOR A. VONZALDES,
PMP, 540 SGA, ATO SF 96270
ORGANIZATION OR ADDRESS

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(Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 19 day of Jan, 1970
at Quang Ngai, RVN

(Signature of Person Administering Oath)

JULIEN M. MOSES

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)

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

(Authority To Administer Oaths)

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