

WITNESS STATEMENT

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LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME WELLS, COY LEE	SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NO.		GRADE CW2
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SWORN STATEMENT

I, Coy L. WELLS, WANT TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT UNDER OATH:

Between 1220 ~ 1250 hours, 14 Mar 70, I interviewed Nguyen Thi HUU in the presence of SP6 Raymond O. WALDEN acting as interpreter. Personal data of HUU is as follows:

NAME: Nguyen Thi HUU
 ID#: Unknown
 ADDRESS: Co Phu Hamlet, Tu Hien Village, Tu Nghia District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 DOB: 1922
 POB: My Hoi sub-hamlet, Co Luy Hamlet, Son My Village, Son Tinh District, Quang Ngai Province, RVN
 OCCUPATION: Fishervomen - housewife
 EDUCATION: None, can not read or write

HUU stated substantially as follows: She lived in My Hoi on the day that the American soldiers came and killed the women and children. She was in the village that day. It was the 18th day of the 2nd lunar month of 1968. At about 1000 hours, the Americans came into the hamlet, the villagers all went into their bunkers and hid. The Americans came into the hamlet and called for the people to come out of the bunkers. She had hidden in a bunker, taking five children with her. Her mother and father also hid in this bunker. The father of the five children in the bunker with her was in a separate bunker and was called out by the Americans. He went out of the bunker and was shot to death. Other persons who went out of the bunkers were being killed by the Americans. The people who refused to come out of their bunkers were being killed in them, being shot with rifles and having grenades thrown into the bunkers with them. The bunker she was in had an escape tunnel, and she went beyond a bend of the tunnel with the five children, then the Americans threw a grenade into the bunker and it killed her mother and father. Their names were: Ngo KHOL, 75, father and Vo Thi KHO, 70, mother. She and the five children were not harmed by the grenade blast, and the Americans did not see them. She had seen "very many" Americans, but could not say how many. She had seen both negro and white soldiers. She remained in the bunker for about five hours, then got out and saw a great many bodies, but did not know how many. She buried her mother and father, and helped to bury some of the others. Then she gathered with the others and went to a refugee center near Son My Village. She later learned that 97 persons were killed that day in My Hoi by the Americans. She thought that about three hundred persons made their home in My Hoi on the day that Americans came. In addition to her parents and home, she lost a rice crop, but did not have any livestock.

HUU knew Nguyen Thi TY and stated that while she did not see what happened to her, the story was all over the village that TY had been raped by negro soldiers. She had not seen TY since that day. HUU could offer no additional information and affirmed that her statement is true to the best of her knowledge and memory.

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I, Coy L. WELLS

HAVE READ OR HAVE HAD READ TO ME THIS STATEMENT WHICH BEGINS ON PAGE 1 AND ENDS ON PAGE . 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.

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Coy L. Wells
 (Signature of Person Making Statement)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a person authorized by law to administer oaths, this 15th day of March, 1970 at Quang Ngai, Republic of Vietnam

Thomas J. McCreavy
 (Signature of Person Administering Oath)

THOMAS J. MCCREAVY

(Typed Name of Person Administering Oath)
 Criminal Investigator, Art 136b(4) UCMJ

(Authority To Administer Oaths)