

## MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

RE: Names and Locations of Tu Cung and Co Luy Hamlets and Their Component Sub-Hamlets

The following information is based upon interviews conducted by personnel of the Peers Inquiry and of the CID in Quang Ngai City, RVN, during the period 15 Dec 69 through 2 Jan 70. Persons interviewed included COL Khien, Chief of Quang Ngai Province, Do Dinh Luyen, Chief of Son My Village, Do Tan Nhon, Hamlet Chief of Tu Cung, Ngo Tam Hai, Hamlet Chief of Co Luy, Ngo Son, Assistant Hamlet Chief of Co Luy, and numerous former residents of the hamlets of Tu Cung and Co Luy. Map references are to Map Sheet 6739 II (Vietnam, 1:50,000, Quang Ngai).

Son My Village encompasses roughly the area bounded by grid line 70 on the west, grid line 80 on the north, the ocean on the east, and the Song Tra Khuc river on the south. In March, 1968, Son My Village consisted of four hamlets, each comprising several sub-hamlets, as follows:

1. Tu Cung Hamlet, located north and northeast of Hill 85, was comprised of five subhamlets, all of which are north of Highway 521:

a. Thuan Yen (also called Xom Lang by some residents), located at coordinates 716788 and named My Lai (4) on map;

b. Truong An, located at about coordinates 712785;

c. Binh Tay, located at about coordinates 715794;

d. Binh Dong, which consists of two groups of houses separated by a stream and about 150 meters of paddy fields. The main group of structures was located at about coordinates 722792 and the second group (called "New Binh Dong" by some residents) at about 722790;

e. Trung Hoa, located at about coordinates 722788.

2. My Lai Hamlet encompassed generally the area between Tu Cung Hamlet and the ocean, including the area colored pink

"Pinkville" and the settlements named My Lai (1), My Lai (2) and My Khe on the map.

3. My Khe Hamlet encompassed the area between Hill 85 and the Song Kinh Giang river lying to the south of "Pinkville". It included the settlements named My Khe (3), My Khe (1), An Loc (1) and My Khe (2) on the map.

4. Co Luy Hamlet encompassed the area between the Song Kinh Giang river and the ocean south of the bridge located at about coordinates 740787. It consisted of five subhamlets:

- a. My Hoi, located at about coordinates 742781;
- b. Xuan Duong, located at about coordinates 742779;
- c. My Xuan, located at about coordinates 742773;
- d. Xam Tuan, located at about coordinates 744765, and named Co Lay (2) on the map;
- e. Xam Cua, located at about coordinates 745758, and named Co Lay (3) on the map.

Some former residents stated that the subhamlets of My Hoi and Xuan Duong, Co Luy Hamlet, merge together at their adjoining outskirts.

The names of subhamlets appearing on the map bear little relation to the names used by the residents. Particular care should be taken not to confuse Co Luy Hamlet with the settlements named Co Lui (1) and Co Lui (2) located in grid square 7373.

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