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Re: IV 384783 BUI THONG CANH (7), Mc Cain Amendment qualified

Subject: REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear ODP Director:

After a meeting with the PA's father, Mr. Quang Thang BUI, IV 211463 RF1 2142, A#74507453, arrived in the US on 11-20-95;

We decided to make and appeal for his 7 children who were all denied the opportunity to resettle under the Mc Cain Amendment during the interview on 02-18-97 in Saigon.

We feel that the denial was UNFAIR and UNJUST to the children.

The children are fully eligible because, at the time of their father's interview, they were 21 or older and were unmarried; Their father's pre-interview conference was on May 22-95; his interview on June 6-95.

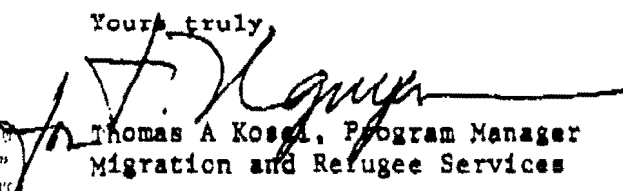
We are aware that two of these children are now married, but their marriages were arranged AFTER their father had been interviewed and had been told that his children were not allowed to accompany him. Kim-Phuong was married on June 15-95; Hung on June 29-95.

We are also aware of the fact that Mr. BUI did not tell the whole truth about the marital status of his children. He admitted that he had lied about that in his letters to ODP in September and October 96. He said he did that thinking he could save his children out of Vietnam. He said at the time he did not know that the married children would be eligible under the Amendment. He has realized now that he had made a big error. In an effort to save his children, he did a terrible thing that 'killed' them all!

We believe that the children are not to be punished for their father's error. The fact is they are eligible for resettlement under the Mc Cain Amendment.

For HUMANITARIAN reason please reopen the file and give these children what they deserve under the special program, so that they can be reunited with their widowed father, who longs for them everyday, and who feels so guilty for the big trouble he has caused them.

Yours truly,


Thomas A. Kosen, Program Manager
Migration and Refugee Services

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Interview

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Mr. DEWEY FENDERGRASS, Director,
Ordeley Departure Program
Box 58 American Embassy
APO AP 96546.

Dear Mr. Fendergrass .

(My name is Quang Thung Bui. I was born on July 1936 in Vietnam.
I lived at [redacted] St. Paul, MN 55104. Phone # [redacted]
IV:211463 (RP.I-2142)

I left from Vietnam with my youngest daughter on November 30, 1995. My wife died during the interview time, so she could not come with me.

After April 1, 1995 the U.S. law didn't allow any unmarried children over 21 years old to come with their parents to the U.S. So I have seven children who are still living in Vietnam and they were verified by O.D.P. Thailand, and their names were in the list number IV:384783 on November 8, 1996.

They are:

- 1.- Bui thong Canh / 1972 (SO - 5.-Bui Thi Anh Tuyet 1963(S)
- 2.-Bui Sy Hung / 1973(M) - 6.-Bui Thi Kim Phuong 1966(M)
- 3.-Bui Tan Tuec / 1959(S) - 7.-Bui Thi Xuan Tham 1967(S)
- 4.-Bui cong Trang / 1960(S)

The amendment passed President Bill Clinton on September 30, 1996 allowed those children of H.O. family who are still living in Vietnam after April 1, 1995 can come to America with their parents.

Recently, in the Ngay Nay "Minnesota" Newspaper, volume 197 released on June 15, 1997, there is an article saying one more time. The Mc. Cain program (amendment # 5064) before on September 30, 1996 allow all children unmarried or who got married after April 1, 1995 can come to America. If any children were eligible they must fill out the form immediately and send it to O.D.P. Thailand for assistance. As that above are by Mr. Nam Loc of O.D.P./I.C.M.C. Liaison Office (California).

On February 18, 1997 seven of my children were called to interview in Vietnam according the new law. The U.S. interviewer denied all my children, when he saw that two of my children already got married, although five of other are not. They were denied because of a letter I have sent two times to O.D.P. Thailand:

- 1-On September 20, 1996.
- 2-On October 15, 1966.

In this letter I wrote that my children were all single. This was not true of two of them, but in the next letter I told the truth. The new law of the U.S. President was signed on September 30, 1996. After that on November 27, 1996 and on January 4, 1997 (before the interview's day), I wrote on the Mc. Cain Family verification form, that two of the seven had married. All of the information I wrote in that letter is true. I accept my responsibility for my mistakes, if there are any. I'm really sorry for my mistakes.

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Savbo [Sở thú] Táp 29 June 96
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- Ngày 20 Sep 96
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- Ngày 17 Feb 97 7 người con PV,
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Update: 29 July, 97

- ODP: dự từ PV tháng September 97.

- Nov 27, 97

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