



HỘI GIA ĐÌNH TÙ NHÂN CHÍNH TRỊ VIỆT NAM  
FAMILIES OF VIETNAMESE POLITICAL PRISONERS ASSOCIATION

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IV # 533967

POLITICAL PRISONER REGISTRATION FORM  
(Two Copies)

VEWL.# \_\_\_\_\_

I-171 : X Yes, \_\_\_\_\_ No

The purpose of this form is to identify persons who are or were formerly interned in re-education camps in Vietnam, so that eligibility for U.S. admission via the Orderly Departure Program can be established.

1. APPLICANT IN VIETNAM NGUYEN \_\_\_\_\_ VAN  
Last Middle First
- Current Address 183 CACH MANG THANG 8, PHUONG 12, QUAN TAN BINH  
T.P. HO CHI MINH VIET NAM
- Date of Birth 2/13/1926 Place of Birth BACH TINH DONG, NAM DINH
- Previous Occupation (before 1975) CHỦ TỊCH ĐẢNG DÂN CHỦ QUÂN BỘ QUÂN 10  
(Rank & Position)
2. TIME SPENT IN RE-EDUCATION CAMP Dates : From 15/6/1975 To 8/7/1982
3. SPONSOR'S NAME: NGUYEN ANH DUNG  
Name

4. NAMES OF RELATIVES/ACQUAINTANCES IN THE U.S.

<u>Name, Address &amp; Telephone</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
<u>NGUYEN THIMAI</u>	<u>DAUGHTER</u>
<u>NGUYEN TRONG CUONG</u>	<u>SON</u>
<u>NGUYEN ANH DUNG</u>	<u>SON</u>
<u>NGUYEN THINGOC ANH</u>	<u>DAUGHTER</u>
<u>NGUYEN THI BICH LIEM</u>	<u>DAUGHTER</u>
<u>NGUYEN THI BICH UYEN</u>	<u>DAUGHTER</u>

If you are eligible to file for the applicant under Category I of the ODP criteria and have not filed an Affidavit of Relationship (AOR), you are encouraged to do so. Also, persons in the U.S. who are eligible to petition for relatives in Vietnam on INS Form I-130 must do so.

Date Prepared: 10/2/1988

5. NAME OF PRINCIPAL APPLICANT (PA) : NGUYEN VAN  
(Listed on page 1)

NAME OF DEPENDENT/ACCOMPANYING RELATIVES	DATE OF BIRTH	RELATIONSHIP TO PA.
NGUYEN THI TRAM	8/12/1930	WIFE

DEPENDENT'S ADDRESS :(if different from above)

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Hồ sơ lý lịch  
 Nguyễn Văn

NAME (Ten Tu-nhan) : NGUYEN VAN  
 Last (Ten Ho) Middle (Giua) First (Ten goi)  
 DATE, PLACE OF BIRTH : 2 13 1926  
 (Nam, noi sinh) Month (Thang) Day (Ngay) Year (Nam)  
 SEX (Nam hay Nu) : Male (Nam): X Female (Nu): \_\_\_\_\_  
 MARITAL STATUS Single (Doc than): \_\_\_\_\_ Married (Co lap gia dinh): X  
 (Tinh trang gia dinh):  
 ADDRESS IN VIETNAM : 183 CACH MANG THANG 8  
 (Dia chi tai Viet-Nam) PHUONG 12, QUAN TAN BINH, T.P. HO CHIMINH, VIET NAM  
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 If Yes (Neu co): From (Tu): 15/6/1975 To (Den): 8/7/1982  
 PLACE OF RE-EDUCATION: LANG CO NHU LONG THANH, HA NAM NINH, HAM TAN  
 CAMP (Trai tu)  
 PROFESSION (Nghe nghiep): THUONG GIA  
 EDUCATION IN U.S. (Du hoc tai My): \_\_\_\_\_  
 VN ARMY (Quan doi VN) Rank (Cap bac): \_\_\_\_\_  
 VN GOVERNMENT (Trong chinh phu VN) Position (Chuc vu): CHU TICH DANG DAN CHU  
QUAN B6, QUAN 10 Date (nam): 1972/1973  
 APPLICATION FOR O.D.P. (Da co nap don cho ODP): Yes (Co): X  
 IV Number (So ho so): 533967  
 No (Khong): \_\_\_\_\_  
 NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS ACCOMPANYING (So nguoi di theo): MOT  
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NGUYEN ANH DUNG -  
 U.S. CITIZEN (Quoc tịch Hoa-Ky): Yes (co): X No (Khong): \_\_\_\_\_  
 RELATIONSHIP WITH PRISONER (Lien he voi tu nhan tai VN): SON (CON TRAI)  
 NAME & SIGNATURE: DUNG NGUYEN Nguyễn Anh Dũng  
 ADDRESS & TELEPHONE OF INFORMANT  
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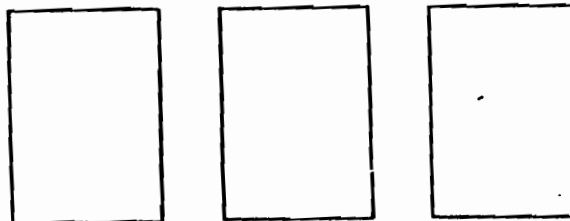
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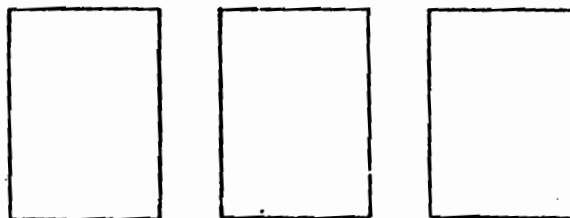
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Ngày sinh 13. 02. 1926  
*Date de naissance*

Nơi sinh Hà Nam Ninh  
*Lieu de naissance*

Chỗ ở TP. Hồ Chí Minh  
*Domicile*

Quốc tịch Việt Nam  
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Độc lập — Tự do — Hạnh phúc,

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## PHIẾU BẢO TIN

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To Whom It May Concern:

For the hope of your great sympathy and your widely open arms of generosity, I am writing this letter with my very truthful and faithful feelings being expressed deeply from the bottom of my heart. My name is Uyen Nguyen and I came from a family of seven children who have been seperated from our parents for over a decade. We have been living with hope along with desperation day by day and with a simple dream, a family reunion, a day I could truly hug my parents. They are the ones whom every child in a family loves so dearly and needs the most, as much as every house must need strong bricks to support it in order not to collapse.

I was nine years old when I left Vietnam. I escaped from the brutal communist with two of my sisters to find a new life. We had to leave our parents behind, not knowing how long it will be to see their loving faces again, to hear their warm voices, and to hug them like other children who hug their parents. I am the youngest child in the family who had never learned to leave my mother's sight until I was six years old because of the communistic brutality.

It has been almost fifteen years since I was apart from my parents. My father was put in the concentration camp by the communist. It has been 15 years since I last saw him. Unfortunately, time is not patient enough in permitting us to wait. My father is 64 years old and my mother is 61 years old. They are getting older and weaker as time flies by quickly, especially without us being there to cheer them up, to stop the tears flowing from their eyes, and to bring happiness back into their lives. I keep praying to God every night and day to give them enough strength to live as long as possible, to see the day when I can hug them, and to bring back the joyful moments that they and I desperately hope for. I have been living, for fifteen years, with the only dream in my life which most other children never have to hope for. This dream is as simple as: a family reunion.

When I was five years old, I wished for my dad to be able to come back with my mom from the concentration camp. Since I was nine, on every single birthday, this dream had always been the same every time I blow the candles on the birthday cake. Year after year, my older sisters and brothers did all the paper work to bring them to the United States. But all that hard effort did not seem to go any where. Each time when I heard other people with their families reunite, I truly felt grateful for them, but I always break down and

cry when I think about my father and mother. We have waited for so long, and we do not know how much longer we have to wait before we can see them again.

This letter is a representation of all my tears and expressions within me which I can not hold back. Every moment of living, my head is filled with the picture of the same dream. With your graceful open arms, I turn to you to ask with politeness for any help that you can provide us to bring our family together before too much time passes by, and before it is too late for a simple dream.

May God be with you always,

*Uyen Nguyen*

Uyen Nguyen

IV-533967  
Dung A. Nguyen

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Dung Anh Nguyen. My social security number is 586-28-2821. My address is 3317 Heritage Estates Dr., San Jose, CA 95148. I am an U.S. citizen.

I have filed petition with the U.S. Orderly Departure Program (ODP) for my parents, Van Nguyen and Tram Nguyen, with the file number IV533967 for many years. I already obtained the Letter of Introduction (LOI) - the LOI is the document which states that the U.S. is willing to interview the persons named on the LOI for acceptance for movement through the U.S. ODP. My parents also obtained exit permission from the Vietnamese authorities. However, they have not been able to schedule pre-departure interview with U.S. representatives from Bangkok, Thailand.

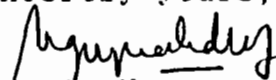
It has been 15 years since I have been away from my parents. My father was put in the so-called long-term re-education camp in 1975 after the fall of Saigon because he worked for the former South Vietnamese regime. Worst of all, he received no fair trial or hearing; probably one would understand the implication - without justice - he received a sentence for life in the "camp." He was only released from the camp after recovering from parasitosis when he was put in a dead-house to await his death and was ready to be buried. They are now facing years of uncertainty.

A few weeks ago, under a groundbreaking program between Vietnamese and U.S. governments, Vietnamese communists allowed former South Vietnamese military officers and government officials out of Vietnam. My parents qualify because my father spent the longest time in prison and they had their children, my sisters and I, sponsor them in the United States.

My sisters and I already completed Affidavit of Supports and our employment verifications for my parents. These show that we are more than able to support our parents.

Please help us to speed up the exit interview for my parents, which is conducted by American representatives from Bangkok, Thailand, to give us a chance to reunite with my parents after a long separation of 15 years.

Sincerely yours,

  
Dung A. Nguyen



IV-533967  
Lien Nguyen

To whom it may concern:

My name is Lien Nguyen. I am writing to recount my family's story, that has tortured me for 15 years. I hope that you can understand my parents's extraordinary circumstances.

After the fall of Saigon in 1975, my father was put in a concentration camp by the communists because he joined the Vietnamese Republic Party before 1975. Then, the communist placed their members to live in our house and watch over our shoulders. Gradually, they stopped our education and took away our properties.

At first, my mother did not want to break up our family. We all tried to behave ourselves and listen to the communist's demands while threatening my father's life.

However, things got worse every day. They took away our house, and sent us to a uncultivated area, forcing our family to do manual labor in their "New Economic Zone." There was no drinking water supplies, no house, no food and neither the communist government's help. Worst of all, the land was in the midst of the battle field. Along with the fields being bombed daily, explosives were buried beneath the ground and frequently definated. It was instead "Dead Zone." Therefore, our family was divided into groups to live illegally with our relatives. However, regardless of the hour night or day, when the communist searched the houses, we all had to hide. It was very difficult for my mother to visit us. At that time, I was fourteen years old, and my youngest sister was six years old. My siblings and I all learned how to hide our feelings, and most importantly, but sad, was to survive without our parents' protection. Besides all the things we suffered, the communist would secretly move my father from one camp to another. There was no news from him. We did not know how severely they had tortured him.

Two third of our family were then brain-washed by the communist in their re-education camps. That included my father, my mother, two of my oldest sisters' families, my youngest sister and myself. Three generations were brain washed (my parents, us, and their grandchildren!! Need not explain how the political prisoners were mistreated in these camps. The Oscar winning film, "The Killing Field," is one

of the many faces of the communist brain washing camps. Only three members of our family could get away from the communist's net. Nevertheless, we yearned for the love of freedom, justice, and humanity when we got out of their re-education camps.

My mother is a loyal woman. She had lived in pain to wait for my father. The longer she was put in the re-education camp, the more she understood my father's suffering. In my family, she has always been separated from us, and worried about our safety. In her daily meal, when the picture of the complete family is recalled, she breaks out with tears. She wants desperately to hold every one of us in her arms. Her heart is breaking into pieces to see the family being torn since the 1975 revolution. The fall of Saigon was also the fall of our family. She has lived in painful experience for 15 years.

After seven years of being tortured in the communist's "brain washing" camps, my father was released by the communist because of his health. The communist thought that he was a useless person, too weak to do manual labor for them. They believed he had no more energy to do any harm to their regime thereafter.

However, right after being released, my father made the decision to escape the country at any price, either by boat or by walking across Cambodia. It was very difficult for us to stop his plan because we all knew that my parents were too old to escape. The chance for my parents surviving the escape was very slim; because neither of them is in good health although their spirit is strong.

We have been patient in applying for the Orderly Departure Program (ODP) and have waited for all the paper work from both sides, the USA and the Vietnamese governments. It is very difficult to obtain the Vietnamese exit permission for my parents. After years of waiting, the permits from the two governments are ready since last year, June 1989. My parents have expected to be interviewed by the American ODP staffs in Ho Chi Minh City, but nothing has been conducted.

Every time we write letter to my parents, we always tell them not to give up hope. We always encourage them with a reunion soon by the Orderly Departure Program. Hoping for a family reunion, my father's spirit is boosted. My father has begun to rebuild his body by doing routine exercise, to fight against old age, and years of torture in the concentration camps.

It has been 15 years since my father last saw any of his children. As for my mother, she has been in tears for over a decade because of her torn family.

Every single day that passes, their hope becomes more unrealistic, just like the light from a candle, when the candle gets shorter and shorter. What we are all afraid of is that when my parents become hopeless and depressed, they will not be able to keep up anymore.

Our family is fighting with time to get my parents here. They are too old to suffer! They are not only getting older, because of time, but because of the stress and suffering they have been through. We do not know how much longer they can continue suffering, nor how long they will last after a reunion.

Recently, the people who have been released from the communist re-education camps are considered for special departures. I believe my parents are more than qualified for this priority. Their IV number in the ODP program is 533-967. Please help us to speed up the ODP interview and the paperwork process so that my parents' suffering can be relieved, and they can spend the last few years of their lives with us.

We have wished for 15 years the one thing everyone has taken for granted - a family reunion. My heart aches for my parents, so I ask for your help.

Very sincerely,

*Lien Nguyen*

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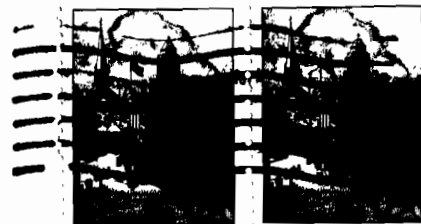
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