

September 22, 1996.

To: whom it may concern.

My name is BÙ PHAM, a former political prisoner of the Vietnamese communist regime. I am currently residing at [REDACTED] Davenport, IOWA 52804, phone [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Before April 1975, I was a platoon leader T.T.H. 089 Huang Thuy, Thua Thien in the armed forces of the Republic of Vietnam. After the communists came to power, I was imprisoned in the re-education camp #5 Binh Dien from June 26, 1975 to September 15, 1980.

Because of that experience, I have been admitted to the United States on December 15, 1995 in accordance with a Sub program of the orderly Departure program for former political prisoners under bilateral agreement between Vietnam and the United States. My resettlement has been made extremely difficult because the following unmarried children of mine have been rejected for resettlement despite the fact that for many years unmarried children were permitted to accompany their parents who were former political prisoners. Manh Pham is 25 years old. Cuong Pham is 22 years old.

I hope that you help me so our family could be together again

In particular, May I urge that you give support to Section 595 of the foreign operation appropriation Bill H.R. 3540 offered by Senator.

John McCain and enacted by the Senate on July 26, 1996. The Bill will be considered by the conference committee in early September, 1996. By insuring that this Section remains in the final Act, you will be helping many families of former Vietnamese political prisoners who are in the same sad situation as mine. Many

Many thanks go your kind assistance.

Sincerely,



Be Pham