

many
there are literally tens of thousands of other
Vietnamese military families who are also separated.
I have taken on the "mission" of trying to help them.

In 1977, I was fortunate to come to the U.S. as
a refugee. With the help of some friends we founded
the "Families of Vietnamese Political Prisoners Association"
that same year. I have served as its president
ever since.

The FVPPA is a nationwide, non-profit organization. We try to provide
support services to over 10,000 members by sharing information, helping them
file documents with INS and the State Department (BRP/ODP), obtaining LOI,
helping the ex-prisoners arrive in third country camps, and continually
expressing our concern to the State Department and various Congressional
entities. We also maintain computerized listings of our membership, as well
as political prisoners at home. We keep our data up-to-date so that they can
be useful to resettlement agencies in their understanding of the problems that
this population will face when they arrive in this country.

Occasionally we organize fundraisers, but our primary source of funding
is our own. We have not received any financial assistance from any government
or private sources; and all of our workers volunteer their time and services.
I am a volunteer also; because I have a regular, full time job.

RECENTLY,
~~NOW THE FIRST GROUP~~ SEVERAL THOUSAND ~~OF THE~~ FORMER RE-EDUCATION
CENTER DETAINEES ^{HAVE COME TO THE US TO JOIN} ~~THEIR~~ FAMILIES ~~ARE HERE~~. IT IS ~~REALLY STILL~~ TOO
^{IDENTIFY} EARLY TO ~~EXPERIENCE~~ THE PATTERN OF THEIR RESETTLEMENT, BUT WE HAVE
MET SOME OF THEM AT THE AIRPORTS IN TEXAS, VIRGINIA, PENNSYLVANIA,
NEW YORK AND ESPECIALLY CALIFORNIA. ~~NO OTHER WHERE KNOW~~
CALIFORNIA HAS RECEIVED, SO FAR, 181 FAMILIES AND WILL CONTINUE TO
RECEIVE THE MAJORITY. ^{OUR GREATEST REWARD COMES IN SEEING THESE} ~~WHEN EXPERIENCED THE GREATEST JOY WHEN THEY~~
^{BEING} ~~WERE~~ REUNITED WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND RELATIVES. THE JOY EXPRESSED
WHEN THEY ^{SEE} ~~SAW~~ ONE ANOTHER AFTER 10, 14 YEARS GOES BEYOND WORDS, AND
ALMOST WIPES OUT ~~ALL~~ THE SUFFERING THEY ~~THE DETAINEES THEMSELVES~~ AND THEIR
FAMILIES ^{ENDURED. I UNDERSTAND} ~~UNDERSTAND~~. Now, I only hope that my own
husband will be on one of these planes. Thank you.

May 5, 1990

Major White, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for inviting me to your 7th reunion.

For many years Vietnam hosted hundreds of thousands of brave Americans who came to help fight the Communists. During that time very special relationships were formed between the American advisors and their counterparts. Tonight, after many years and half way around the world, to see some of these friendships being renewed is ~~very~~ ^{emotional} ~~very~~ ~~reference~~ for me.

Every US Marine who served in Vietnam - and his family - have been touched in some way by that experience. Many, in ways we do not want to remember. Similarly, many Vietnamese Marines and their families have suffered a great deal; but for many it still isn't over.

My husband was a colonel in the Vietnamese Army. Like tens of thousands of other military men, he was thrown into a concentration camp after the fall of SAIGON. He spent 13 years undergoing "re-education" and only just recently was released; but he has not been given permission to come to the U.S. We have been separated for 15 years now. That's an awful long "short ~~time~~!"

FAX COVER SHEET

Date: 5/2/90 Telecopy #: 204-0394 Total Page Count: 3

To: Mrs Khúc Minh Thò Company: FUPPA

From: Bill Paris Phone #: 250-5370 / 876-2524

Remarks:

My dear Thò,

I hope you like the attached speech.

Bill

CACI, INC.-FEDERAL
8260 Willow Oaks Corporate Dr.
Fairfax, Virginia 22031
Automatic Telecopy: (703) 876-2224
Verify: (703) 876-7000

TELECOPY COVER SHEET

TO:	KHUC MINH THO'	DATE:	7/17/91
COMPANY:	FV PPA	TELECOPIER #:	(703) 204-0394
LOCATION:		VERIFY #:	(202) 628-3647

CACI, INC. - COMMERCIAL	
WPPSS DOCUMENT CENTER	
666 11TH STREET, N.W., SUITE 610	
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001	
TELECOPIER:	(202) 628-1264
VERIFY:	(202) 628-3647

FROM:	Bill Paris
NUMBER OF PAGES (INCLUDING COVER SHEET):	2
REMARKS:	Thd, per our FONCON. Bill except for 2 people noted, I hired all others.

[tele/gj]

VN ROSTER

NAME / WIFE	ADDRESS / PH NO.	YRS REED	REFER	DATE	MISC
Nguyen, Minh Ngoc ✓	(703) 204-1745	no	tho'		
Doan, Loan (Ngoc wife) ✓	" " "	no	Ngoc		
tong, Nga	(703) 922-8156	no	Ngoc		
Le, tong Hoa (Nga sister)	(703) 354-0051	no			
Le, Lena (Hoa daughter)	" " "	no	Hoa		(not working for CAE1) (not working for CAE1) told about job at another company
* Nguyen, ... ✓	(703) 538-6838	yes			
Nguyen, Danh	(703) 569-5077	no	Ngoc		
* Nguyen, Van Chien ✓	(301) 989-4678	yes	tho'		
* Nguyen, Thanh Lam ✓	(703) 533-3935	yes	tho'		
* Dang, Ngoc Bich ✓	(703) 658-5338	yes	tho'		
* Cao, Van thinh ✓	(703) 978-3655	yes	Gen Cao		
Tran, Dat Ban ✓	(703) 425-1751	yes	Ngoc		
* Le, Huu khai ✓	(703) 790-1293	yes	Gen Cao		
* Nguyen, Van thanh ✓	(703) 591-0717	yes	Ngoc		
* Duong, thi kim ✓	(703) 242-0537	no	tho'		
* Nguyen, ... H.	(703) 455-8377	no	Ngoc		
* Ha, Cong T. ✓	(301) 9 ... 1466	yes	Gen Cao		
Jann Nguyen Riley	(703) 540 ...	no	Ngoc		
* Le, Van Binh	(703) 524-8840	yes	Ngatong		

* = If they cannot afford the dinner, please invite them as my guest.

Colonel William F. Paris II, USA, Ret.
10831 BURR OAK WAY • BURKE, VIRGINIA 22015

June 25, 1990

Dear tho,

Rosmarie and I accept with pleasure
your kind invitation to attend the FUPPA
Annual Awards Dinner and Cultural Show.

We look forward to seeing you and your
friends and hearing about the good news
and accomplishments of your Association
during the last year.

With warmest regards,
Bill