

Q.

I do not have and cannot get the real dogtags from the dead soldiers. My friend who had them was killed by someone who wanted them for money. Only he knew where the bodies were. Perhaps he told someone. My letter did not say this. I received the letter at the end of March but took this long in finding your name.

Since my English is not very good you can call my English teacher, who helped me write this letter, Her name deleted is _____ and her phone is _____
Her address is _____

I speak Lao and Thailand
Can talk to you through an interpreter
American only. I do not trust any
Asian people;

Please answer quickly.

Sincerely,

N.B. DIA refused to give me the name, residence information, or phone number of both the source and the English teacher.



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HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE MILITARY PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TX 78150-6001

JMP!

Colonel V.J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
Box 1256
Cocoa Beach FL 32931

2 NOV 1990 *date!*

Dear Colonel Donahue

We are in receipt of three classified documents that were originated by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) which have been associated with your son, Major Vincent J. Donahue. They are identified as follows:

CIA 082022Z Apr 87 (Secret), CIA Cite 391100
CIA 091931Z Jul 87 (Secret), CIA Cite 545934
CIA 181916Z Feb 88 (Secret), CIA Cite 907494

*** The CIA has declined release of sanitized copies of these documents to you under exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). However, they have asked that we advise you of your right to appeal their decision in this regard through the CIA Information Review Committee. Their address is: Central Intelligence Agency, Information and Privacy Coordinator, Washington, D.C., 20505.

Please contact me on our toll free telephone line (800-531-5501) if you have further questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely

George E. Atkinson
GEORGE E. ATKINSON
Chief, Missing Persons Division

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FOIA Exemption
Explanation Sheet

**1. Note: Sanitized documents are those from which the source of information and the method of collection of such information have been deleted. When this action has been taken, the documents automatically are unclassified and enter the public domain. Obviously, the CIA does not subscribe to that procedure.*

Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D. C. 20505

19 DEC 1990

Colonel V. J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
 Box 1256
 Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931

Reference: F88-1300

Dear Colonel Donahue:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your 23 November 1990 letter regarding three CIA documents located by the Air Force in response to your request to them for information regarding your son, Major Morgan Jefferson Donahue.

We will be in touch regarding your concerns in the near future. In the meantime, your patience and understanding will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

John H. Wright
 Information and Privacy Coordinator

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N.B.! I made no request to the Air Force for information regarding Morgan. I presented this letter out of the blue from the AF to the State which had received the report from the CIA. More double talk!

Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

4 mos later29 APR 1991 date

Colonel V. J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
 Box 1256
 Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931

Reference: F88-1300

Dear Colonel Donahue:

This is a follow-up to our 19 December 1990 letter regarding your 23 November 1990 request for documents pertaining to your son, Major Morgan Jefferson Donahue, USAF.

We have finished our review of the three documents referred to in your 23 November letter and have forwarded our determinations to the Air Force for their direct response to you.

This concludes all CIA action on your request.

Sincerely,



John H. Wright

Information and Privacy Coordinator



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Colonel V. J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
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14 MAY 1991

Dear Colonel Donahue

As I promised in my 13 May 1991 telephone call, we have attached a copy of a sanitized report which was recently received from the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Additionally, CIA officials requested we inform you that they are unable to confirm that the individual cited in this report is your son, nor can the agency vouch for the veracity of the information contained in the report.

The CIA further stated that they have reviewed the other two reports dated 8 April and 9 July 1987 and determined that both documents must continue to be withheld in their entirety.

Please continue to contact us if we can be of assistance to you.

Sincerely

William R. Frampton
WILLIAM R. FRAMPTON
Senior Liaison Officer
Missing Persons Division

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1. Explanation of Exemptions
2. Msg 181916Z Feb 88

W. Why -

Note letter of 21 Nov. ⁹⁰ from
Randolph - specifically the
asterisked paragraph wherein
these 3 documents are described
as "sanitized". Yet in that
paragraph (2) of the AF letter
of 14 May ~~May~~ 91, only one
document is considered releasable.
This is arbitrary & illegal!

OF EXEMPTIONSINFORMATION ACT:

- (b)(1) applies to material which is properly classified pursuant to an Executive order interest of national defense or foreign policy;
- (b)(2) applies to information which pertains solely to the internal rules and practices Agency;
- (b)(3) applies to the Director's statutory obligations to protect from disclosure intelligence and methods, as well as the organization, functions, names, official titles, salary, numbers of personnel employed by the Agency, in accord with the National Security Act 1947 and the CIA Act of 1949, respectively;
- (b)(4) applies to information such as trade secrets and commercial or financial informa obtained from a person on a privileged or confidential basis;
- (b)(5) applies to inter- and intra-agency memoranda which are advisory in nature;
- (b)(6) applies to information release of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of th personal privacy of other individuals; and
- (b)(7) applies to investigatory records, release of which could (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of others, (D) disclose the identity of a confidential source, (E) disclose investigative techniques and procedures, or (F) endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel.

PRIVACY ACT:

- (b) applies to information concerning other individuals which may not be released without their written consent;
- (j)(1) applies to polygraph records; documents or segregable portions of documents, release of which would disclose intelligence sources and methods, including names of certain Agency employees and organizational components; and, documents or information provided by foreign governments;
- (k)(1) applies to information and material properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of national defense or foreign policy;
- (k)(5) applies to investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment, or access to classified information, release of which would disclose a confidential source; and
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process.

Any or all of the above notations cover the waterfront. The Agencies are covered & ways from Sunday when ever they choose to withhold information which is really releasable from the families of the missing men & from the American people!

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Colonel V.J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
 PO Box 1256
 Cocoa Beach FL 32931

12 AUG 1991

Dear Colonel Donahue

As I promised in my 9 August 1991 telephone call, the attached letter which we recently received from the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) with attachments is forwarded for your information.

We are forwarding this material in keeping with our policy of providing everything we receive which relates to your son, Major Morgan J. Donahue.

If you have any questions concerning this information or if we can be of further assistance in this regard, please call us on our toll free telephone line (800-531-5501).

Sincerely

WILLIAM R. FRAMPTON
 Senior Liaison Officer
 Missing Persons & Inquiries Division

1 Atch
 DIA/POW-MIA Letter,
 U-0663, dated 1 Aug 91,
 w/5 Enclosures

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(SIGNATURE)

SECTION 01 OF 02 BANGKOK TH 34146

P.S. CONTACT ME AT

END QUOTE

3. TRANSLATION OF ENCLOSURE TO LETTER OF PARA 2

ABOVE:
BEGIN QUOTE
PRICHAMANT ENTERPRISE
O. BOX 11-1354 TEL 314-4871
PAGE 1HISTORY OF SOLDIER WHO DISAPPEARED IN WAR - LAOS
NAME MORGAN JEFFERSON DONAHUE
RANK USAF CAPTAIN
NUMBER 560-587, 742 FR
DOB 2 MAY 1944 AGE 34
POB HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA USA
HEIGHT 180 CM
WEIGHT 79.2 KG
BT

SECTION 02 OF 02 BANGKOK TH 34146

1. SUMMARY: ON 15 JUL 91, US EMBASSY BANGKOK
RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THAT CITIZEN. 1CLAIMS TO HAVE A TEAM WHICH LOCATED AND PHOTOGRAPHED
DONAHUE IN RESPONSE TO A REWARD OFFER PUBLICIZED BY A
THAI COMPANY. REQUESTS THAT THE US EMBASSY VERIFY
THE COMPANY'S EXISTENCE AND PROVIDE DATA ON DONAHUE ALONG
WITH THE FAMILY CONTACT ADDRESS. ENCLOSURE TO SOURCE'S
LETTER IS A COPY OF THE REWARD OFFER AND A COPY OF THE
PHOTO ALLEGEDLY TAKEN OF DONAHUE ON 4 JUL 91 AT AN
UNSPECIFIED PLACE IN LAOS.2. TRANSLATION OF LETTER:
BEGIN QUOTE

9 JULY 1991

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DETAILS ON THE SEARCH FOR AMERICAN
PWS.TO: AMERICAN AMBASSADOR
REF: ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRICHAMANT ENTERPRISE
ENCL: 1. COPY OF ANNOUNCEMENT (1 SET)
- 2. ONE PW PHOTOACCORDING TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRICHAMANT ENTERPRISES
11-1991 TELEPHONE 314-4871 TO ANNOUNCE THE SEARCH FOR
AMERICAN PW USAF CAPT MORGAN JEFFERSON DONAHUE, WHO
DISAPPEARED DURING THE WAR IN LAOS ON 13 DECEMBER 1968,
WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED IN VARIOUS VILLAGES ALONG THE THAI
LAO BORDER IN NAKHON PHANOM PROVINCE: ACCORDING TO THE
DETAILS OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT (ENCLOSURES) I REQUEST THE US
EMBASSY TO INVESTIGATE THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

1. IS THERE REALLY A PRICHAMANT ENTERPRISE COMPANY?
IF SO WHERE IS IT LOCATED? HOW ARE THEY INVOLVED IN THIS
MATTER, OR IS THIS PROPAGANDA TO DECEIVE THE PEOPLE?
2. WHEN CAPTAIN DONAHUE IS FOUND WHAT WILL HAPPEN?

I WISH TO OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS AS FOLLOWS:

1. PARENTS' NAMES
2. ADDRESS OF PARENTS AND PHONE NUMBER.
3. CONDITIONS OF THE PARENTS, E.G.:
 - 3.1 METHOD OF CONTACT WHEN DONAHUE IS FOUND.
 - 3.2 LOCATION TO TURN OVER THE PW
 - 3.3 AMOUNT OF REWARD
 - 3.4 TIME LIMIT
 - 3.5 WHAT STEPS NEED TO BE TAKEN

I SUBMIT THAT I AND MY TEAM SEARCHED OUT DONAHUE AND
DISCOVERED HE IS INDEED ALIVE AND HELD UNDER LOOSE
DETENTION ALONG THE LAO VIETNAM BORDER AND IS LIVING WITH
A LAO WIFE, WITH DAUGHTER AND SON. THE TEAM QUESTIONED
CAPT DONAHUE AND (HE) WANTS TO RETURN TO AMERICA IF MY
TEAM WILL HELP HIM. DONAHUE WANTS A LETTER FROM HIS
FATHER AND A FAMILY PHOTO FROM THE U.S. AS EVIDENCE CAPT
DONAHUE CAN RELY UPON. AT THE SAME TIME MY TEAM
PHOTOGRAPHED DONAHUE ON 4 JUL 91 (ENCLOSURE).

ACCORDINGLY I ASK FOR DETAILS.

SUBJECT: THAI CLAIMS TO HAVE FOUND MORGAN JEFFERSON
DONAHUE IN RESPONSE TO REWARD POSTER (U)HAIR DARK BROWN
EYES BROWN/BLACK
MARKS FILLING ON LOWER FRONT TOOTH
CAPT DONAHUE WAS PROMOTED TO CAPT AFTER HE DISAPPEARED.
HE WAS FORMERLY A 1ST LT PILOT ASSIGNED TO UNIT 56 AT WPC
AIRBASE (CANDLESTICK). HIS DUTY WAS TO FIND BOMBING
TARGETS AND DROP FLARES AND INFORM B57 TO BOHB, BETWEEN
WPC AND HOCHIMINTHEL. WHEN HE CRASHED HE WAS 85 MILES
FROM HOCHIMINTHEL.ON THE MORNING OF '13 DEC 68 CAPT DONAHUE AND CREWMEMBERS,
TOTTALING SEVEN PERSONS, CARRIED OUT THEIR NORMAL
MISSION. WHILE DROPPING MATERIALS A NEARBY HIGHER B57
COLLIDED. THE AIRCRAFT CRASHED. THE B57 CRASHED NEAR NAE
PIA. THE C-123 CRASHED IN THE FOREST NEAR KRAD MOUNTAIN.
AT ANY RATE, THE C-123 COMMANDER, WHO PARACHUTED BEFORE
THE CRASH, LANDED IN A TREE AND SURVIVED WITH THE AID OF
A HELICOPTER. WHILE IN THE TREE HE SAW OTHER
CREWMEMBER'S PARACHUTE(S) IN THE DARK NIGHT,
BUT HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THE OTHER CREWMEMBER(S). THE
C-123 COMMANDER GAVE AN INTERVIEW AT WPC AIRFIELD THAT
THE C-123 CRASH SITE WAS 75 MILES FROM THE WPC AIRFIELD
NEAR SI PHONG VILLAGE NORTHEAST OF PRAPADENG VILLAGE. A
LAO RECORDED REPORT (SIC).NOTHING WAS HEARD OF DONAHUE AFTER THE ACCIDENT UNTIL THE
SUMMER OF 1975. AT THAT TIME, LAO REFUGEES SAW DONAHUE'S
PHOTO (LAO FROM SI PHONG) AND WERE CERTAIN THAT THEY HAD
SEEN HIM. THEY SAID CAPT DONAHUE WAS CARRIED BY OXCORT
BECAUSE HE HAD BROKEN HIS LEG PARACHUTING. HE WAS
CARRIED BY LAO COMMUNIST SOLDIERS IN THAT SAME YEAR. LAO
REFUGEES IN THE U.S. CONFIRMED THAT THEY SAW DONAHUE'S
NAME IN REPORTS OF LAO PRISONERS WHILE THEY WERE BEING
INTERROGATED. THEY TRIED TO LOOK AT THE REPORTS, AND SAW
DONAHUE'S NAME AS BEING HELD IN PRISON NEAR SI PHONG. SO
THEY WERE SURE DONAHUE WAS STILL ALIVE. NOT LONG
AFTERWARDS, DONAHUE'S FATHER MET WITH THE COMMANDER OF
THE LAO POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO HAD FLED TO THE U.S. HE
SAID THAT HE HAD GIVEN DONAHUE'S NAME TO THE US EMBASSY
IN YANGIANG CHAN ALONG WITH 200 OTHER PRISONERS. HE WAS
SURE DONAHUE WAS ALIVE.DONAHUE'S FATHER TRAVELLED TO VIETNAME TO INVESTIGATE
AND MEET WITH LAO OFFICIALS WHO SAID THAT MORE THAN 100

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AMERICANS WERE UNDER DETENTION. THEY REFUSED TO IDENTIFY THE PRISONERS OR THE LOCATION WHERE THEY WERE HELD UNTIL AFTER THE WAR.

DONAHUE'S FATHER HAS CONTINUED TO INVESTIGATE AND IS CONVINCED DONAHUE IS ALIVE IN LAOS. THEREFORE HE WANTS TO KNOW IF SOMEONE IS ABLE TO HELP HIS SON OR PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINT HIM NOW, OR HELP HIM ESCAPE. HE WILL PROVIDE A REWARD. CONTACT HIM AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS, AND HE WILL FLY HERE TO TALK IMMEDIATELY.

DONAHUE'S FATHER GUARANTEES TO MAINTAIN SECRECY ABOUT ANYONE WHO HELPS BY NOT GIVING ANY OFFICIAL INTERVIEWS TO THE LAO OR THE AMERICANS.

ADDRESS OF DONAHUE'S FATHER
PO BOX 11-1354

PHOTO DONAHUE
PHOTO OF DONAHUE IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT
PHOTO TAKEN ON 45 JUL 91
END QUOTE

4. RO COMMENT -- THE PHOTO HAS SHOWN UP PREVIOUSLY ATTRIBUTED TO PW "OFSEN". COPY OF THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS AND PHOTOS WILL BE FORWARDED TO DIA/POW-NIA BY POUCH.



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Colonel V.J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
 Box 1256
 Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

29 NOV 1988

Dear Colonel Donahue

In our 14 Oct 1988 letter, we forwarded a Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) report containing information which allegedly related to your son, Major Morgan J. Donahue.

The photocopy maps mentioned in the DIA report, which were not available at the time we forwarded the material to you, are attached for your information and retention.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact us on our toll free telephone line (800-531-5501).

Sincerely

George E. Atkinson
 GEORGE E. ATKINSON
 Chief, Missing Persons Division

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 Maps

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INFO RUEADWD/OCSA WASHINGTON DC

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RUEAHQA/CSAF WASHINGTON DC

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TO RUEKJCS/DIA WASHINGTON DC//VO-PW/DAM/DAH3//

INFO RUEADWW/WHITEHOUSE WASHDC//NSC MR CHILDRESS//

RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC//OASD-ISA/PW-MIA//

RUEKJCS/JCS WASHDC//J5/OJCS-PW-MIA//

RUHQBPA/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI

RUEAIIA/CIA WASHDC//DDO/PCS/LCG/MIL//

RUEHKL/USDAO KUALA LUMPUR

RUEHGP/USDAO SINGAPORE

RUEHML/USDAO MANILA RP

RUEHHK/USDLO HONG KONG

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EZ1:

SECTION 01 OF 02 BANGKOK THAILAN 46415

EZ2:

THIS IS A STONY BEACH MESSAGE

SERIAL: (U) IIR 6 024 0456-88.

COUNTRY: (U) THAILAND (TH).

SUBJECT: IIR 6 024 0456-88/NAMES OF ALLEGED

LIVE PW IN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE.

- WARNING: (U) THIS IS AN INFORMATION REPORT, NOT

- FINALLY EVALUATED INTELLIGENCE. THIS

- REPORT

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DOI: (U) 880822

SOURCE:

Notes STONY BEACH
= DIA SECTION
"HANDLING" THE
MIA ISSUE.

SUMMARY: ~~_____~~ CENSORED

PROVIDED A LIST OF VALID PW/MIA NAMES AND A MAP OF ANOTHER PW DETENTION SITE OBTAINED FROM LAO RESISTANCE SOURCES. ALLEGED US PW ARE SAID TO BE HELD IN EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE. ENCLOSURES. 1 ~~CENSORED~~ SOURCE SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING TRANSCRIBED ENGLISH LANGUAGE LIST TO THE US NAVAL ATTACHE, BANGKOK. SOURCE STATED THAT THE NAMES ARE THOSE OF LIVE PW CAPTIVES PRESENTLY HELD IN LAOS WHICH WERE FURNISHED TO CENSORED BY LAO RESISTANCE PERSONNEL (NFI). THE ORIGINAL IS FORWARDED AS AN ENCLOSURE.

~~_____~~ CAPT USAF

~~_____~~ T/SGT USAF

~~_____~~ CAPT USAF

~~_____~~ T/SGT USAF

~~_____~~ CAPT USAF

MORGAN DONAHUE

SINCE ALL NAMES CROSSCHECKED WITH VALID MIA CASES.

STONY BEACH REQUESTED THAT THE (US NAVAL ATTACHE TO ARRANGE A MEETING WITH SOURCE. THIS MEETING OCCURRED ON 22 AUG 88 AT 1830 HOURS.

2. AT THIS MEETING, SOURCE PRESENTED STONY BEACH INTERVIEWERS WITH A PHOTOCOPY OF A MAP SKETCH OF THE SITE WHERE ADDITIONAL LIVE US PW ARE ALLEGED TO BE HELD. THE ORIGINAL OF THIS SKETCH WAS ALSO OBTAINED FROM LAO RESISTANCE PERSONNEL. IT BEARS THE APPARENT UTM COORDINATES "(XD.6537)", PROBABLY //UTMCOORDS 48QXD6537//, WHICH WOULD PLACE THE SITE IN EASTERN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE. THE PHOTOCOPY MAP IS FORWARDED AS AN ENCLOSURE.

3. SOURCE DECLINED TO ELABORATE ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE TWO DOCUMENTS, AND STATED THAT IT PROBABLY WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR STONY BEACH TO MEET THE RESISTANCE PERSONNEL INVOLVED. SOURCE DID, HOWEVER, INVITE STONY BEACH TO SUBMIT WRITTEN QUESTIONS CONCERNING THESE DOCUMENTS OR OTHER ITEMS/AREAS OF INTEREST. THE QUESTIONS ARE TO BE PASSED TO SOURCE THROUGH _____

4. TWO DAYS LATER, THE US NAVAL ATTACHE PASSED STONY BEACH TWO PHOTOCOPY MAP SECTIONS PROVIDED BY SOURCE. BOTH ARE OF EASTERN SAVANNAKHET

Not included
in that which
I received.

PROVINCE. ONE HAS A MARKER HIGHLIGHTING COORDINATES
ID6537, APPARENTLY THE POINT DESCRIBED IN
BT

#6415

NNNN

NNDD

R. 180849Z NOV 68 PAJ 039699P36

SUBJ: JCRC RPT TPR-605; HEARSAY OF AMERICAN PRISONERS
IN LAOS*Notice how
the Govt treats
live sighting in
area on POWs.*

2. SUMMARY: SOURCE REPORTS HEARSAY OF 260 AMERICANS CURRENTLY BEING HELD IN A CAVE IN LAOS. SOURCE STATED THAT IS ABLE TO OBTAIN RECENT PHOTOGRAPHS OF SEVERAL OF THE PRISONERS

WHICH WERE OBTAINED FROM A LAO CONTACT.

3. INFORMATION: SOURCE REPORTS THAT "WITHIN THE PAST MONTH" HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH A LAO WHO HAS TOLD ABOUT AND SHOWN PROOF OF AMERICAN PRISONERS WHO ARE BEING HELD IN LAOS. SOURCE STATED THAT THE LAO, WHOSE NAME DOES NOT WISH TO REVEAL AT THIS TIME, RECENTLY CROSSED INTO THAILAND FROM LAOS AND MADE CONTACT WITH SOURCE. THE LAO TOLD THAT HE HAD OBSERVED A LOCATION IN RUGGED MOUNTAINS IN THE TRI-BORDER (LAOS, VIETNAM, CAMBODIA) AREA WHERE 260 AMERICANS ARE PRESENTLY BEING HELD. SOURCE WAS TOLD THAT UNTIL RECENTLY THERE WERE 270 PRISONERS, BUT TEN * HAD DIED DUE TO POOR HEALTH. SOURCE STATED THAT HAD MAILED A LIST OF SIX NAMES TO JCRC AND INQUIRED IF JCRC REP HAD RECEIVED THE LIST. WHEN INFORMED THAT JCRC HAD NOT RECEIVED SUCH A LIST OR ANY OTHER MAIL FROM SOURCE, SOURCE STATED THAT COULD ONLY RECALL THAT ONE OF THE SIX PEOPLE ON LIST WAS A MAN NAMED "MR. MORGAN." STATED THAT RECALLED THIS NAME BECAUSE IT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT ONE, BUT WHEN ASKED WHY, WASN'T SURE.

*Thanks
to the dupl
ity of the
U.S. Govt*

4. SOURCE STATED THAT HIS LAO CONTACT HAD GONE TO THE AREA HIMSELF AND OBSERVED THAT THE 260 PRISONERS WERE BEING HELD IN A CAVE AT THE FOOT OF A LARGE KARST MOUNTAIN. THERE IS ONLY A SINGLE ROAD INTO THE VALLEY, AND IT IS WELL GUARDED; ONLY RESUPPLY TRUCKS TO THE CAVE-PRISON ARE ALLOWED IN. ACCORDING TO SOURCE, LAO CONTACT IS RELATED TO ONE OF THE GUARDS WHO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HELPING THE AMERICAN PRISONERS RETURN TO FREEDOM IF HE AND HIS MEN COULD ALSO BE ACCOMMODATED. SOURCE SAID THAT THE LAO SHOWED HIM SIX RECENTLY SHOT COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH SHOWED EIGHT OR NINE OF THE AMERICAN PRISONERS AT THE CAVE-PRISON. SOURCE SAID THAT DID NOT KNOW THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE CAVE, BUT THAT HIS FRIEND HAD BEEN THERE AND COULD PROBABLY DRAW A MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION.

Encl

5. SOURCE STATED THAT [REDACTED] WOULD BE WILLING TO COOPERATE, HUT INSISTED IN KNOWING THE TERMS OF THE 2.4 MILLION DOLLAR REWARD - HAD HEARD ABOUT IN THE NEWS RECENTLY. JCRC REP EXPLAINED THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WAS NOT OFFERING A REWARD AND DID NOT SUPPORT THE PRIVATE GROUP WHO IS ADVERTISING THE REWARD. JCRC REP ALSO POINTED OUT THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN INQUIRING RECENTLY ABOUT THE REWARD, AND CAUTIONED SOURCE NOT TO BE TOO QUICK TO BELIEVE EVERY RUMOR HEARS. SOURCE INSISTED THAT THE INFORMATION [REDACTED] HAS IS VALID, STATING THAT [REDACTED] SAK THE PHOTOS [REDACTED] SELF. JCRC REP IMPRESSED ON SOURCE THAT WHETHER OR NOT THE PRIVATE GROUP WHO WAS OFFERING THE REWARD WAS SINCERE, NOTHING COULD BE DONE UNTIL THE USG HAD A CHANCE TO EVALUATE THE INFORMATION SOURCE CLAIMED TO HAVE. SOURCE AGREED, AND SAID WOULD ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN THE PHOTOS AND A MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE CAVE AND SEND THEM TO JCRC BY REGISTERED MAIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, DEPENDING ON WHEN SEES [REDACTED] LAN SOURCE NEXT.

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LAVENSE

This is
the reward
20 Congress
men have
put together
for our judge
enough for the
who brings
into place on
1964.

It has the
State Dept
& its subordi-
ate Agencies
(DOD, CIA, DIA)
highly upset
by it. The
Govt had
months the
offered reward
routinely.

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M JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH

O CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI

NFO USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J2/J3/J36//

IA WASHINGTON DC//VD-PA//

ECDEF WASHDC//OASD-ISA/PA-MIA//

MCONSUL UDORN

HITEHOUSE WASHDC//VSC/MR CHILDRESS//

JCS WASHDC//J5/PA-MIA//

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TBJ: JCRC RPT T87-485; POW HUNTER REPORTS OFFER
TO AMERICAN POW BIO-DATA

SUMMARY: SOURCE REPORTS A CONTACT

DURING WHICH

DISPLAYED BIOGRAPHIC DATA AND A FINGERPRINT CARD OF AN
ALLEGED AMERICAN POW.

SOURCE STATED THAT RECENTLY
INTERCEPTED ONE OF SOURCE'S "MEN" AND INFORMED HIM
THAT HE HAD INFORMATION ABOUT AN AMERICAN PRISONER. HE
THEN SHOWED SOURCE'S "MAN" TWO PIECES OF PAPER; ONE WAS
PRINTED BIO-FORM FILLED IN IN HANDWRITING. SOURCE'S
MAN RECALLED THAT THE NAME ON THE FORM WAS "MORGAN SAY-
JY" (SOURCE'S OWN PHONETIC SPELLING). THE OTHER PIECE
OF PAPER WAS CHEMICALLY TREATED TO TAKE FINGERPRINTS AND
ALLEGEDLY CONTAINED THE LATENT FINGERPRINTS OF THE
AMERICAN PRISONER.

ENVELOPE

CDSN = LGX041 MCN = 89236/44163 TOR = 892362345

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HEADER

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INFO RUEALGX/SAFE

R 241825Z AUG 89

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INFO RUEHBK/JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH

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CONTROLS

C-0961/PW-MIA

BODY

SUBJ: UPDATE ON POSSIBLE LAO SOURCE IN THAILAND WITH PW INFO (U)

REFS: A. DIA/PW-MIA MSG 151945Z MAY 89, SUBJ: POSSIBLE LAO SOURCE IN THAILAND WITH PW INFO (U).

B. DIA/PW-MIA MSG 121940Z JUN 89, SUBJ: SAME AS REF A.

1. ✓ THIS IS THE THIRD IN A SERIES OF UPDATES ON LETTERS SENT FROM THAI RESIDENT

2. IN HIS LATEST LETTER, DATED 22 JULY 1989, ✓ STATES THAT AMERICAN POW CAPTAIN MORGAN DONAHUE IS BEING HELD IN THE AREA OF LAO BAO, ON THE LAO-VIETNAM BORDER, AND THAT WITH THE SUM OF 30,000 BAHT * ✓ CAN GET BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FROM HIS SOURCES WITH REGARD TO DONAHUE. ✓ ASKS THAT HIS NAME NOT SHOW ON CORRESPONDENCE (BEARING THE MONEY) FROM ✓ BUT THAT THE MONEY BE SENT IN CARE OF LAO REFUGEE ✓.

3. ✓ ENCLOSED WITH ✓ LETTER IS A PHOTOGRAPH OF AN ALLEGED PW, WITH THE ANNOTATION, "BENTSONT BILLY, H-J-R, 418-70-7247A, CATHOLIC, USA". THE NAME BILLY BENSON FIRST SHOWED UP IN REPORTING IN 1987 WITH CLAIMS THAT HE WAS A PW. THE NAME IS BOGUS; THERE IS NO ONE NAMED BENTSONT, BENTSON, OR BENSON MISSING OR UNACCOUNTED FOR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

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SECTION 02 OF 02 BANGKOK TH//PW- 20025

THIS IS A STORY BEACH MESSAGE

SERIAL: (U) IIR 6 024 0317-88.

COUNTRY: (U) LAOS (LA)

SUBJECT: IIR 6 024 0317-88/HEARSAY OF ALLEGED PW
 IN KHAMMOUAN AND SAM MEUA (P), LA. (U).

WARNING: (U) THIS IS AN INFORMATION REPORT,
 NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTELLIGENCE.
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SUMMARY: THIS IS A STORY BEACH REPORT. IT
 ALLEGES THAT TWO PW ARE BEING HELD IN KHAMMOUAN
 PROVINCE, LA. THE FATHER OF ONE IS ATTEMPTING TO
 CONTACT HIS SON THROUGH A LAO RESISTANCE GROUP (LRG).
 THIS LRG MAY INCLUDE A LAO WHO CLAIMS TO HAVE SEEN SIX
 PW WORKING ON AN AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT NEAR
 SAM MEUA.

TEXT: 1. OBTAINED THE
 INFORMATION WHEN VISITED IN EARLY APRIL BY A LONG TIME
 ASSOCIATE WHO IS A SELF STYLED "CAPTAIN" IN A LRG.
 THE "CAPTAIN" WAS SEEKING HELP TO OBTAIN INFORMATION
 ON TWO ALLEGED PW IN KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE. ACCORDING TO
 HIS STORY, A "CAPTAIN MORGAN" (POSSIBLY THE FIRST NAME
 AND NOT THE SURNAME) AND LT ROWLAND ARE LIVING UNDER
 LOOSE GUARD IN BAN KRABOUNG (U/L), TASSENG NATHON,
 MUANG KHAMKERO, KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE NEAR THE
 INTERSECTION OF ROUTES 8 AND 12 //UTM COORDS VE1843//.
 LT ROWLAND IS MARRIED TO A LAO THUNG GIRL (NFI) AND
 THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN. CAPTAIN MORGAN IS
 UNMARRIED. THE "CAPTAIN" DID NOT PROVIDE FURTHER
 INFORMATION ON THE ALLEGED PW EXCEPT THAT THEY WERE
 SHOT DOWN IN 1969. HE DID NOT DISCLOSE HOW HE
 OBTAINED THE INFORMATION EXCEPT TO SAY THAT HIS "MEN"
 GATHERED IT.

2. ACCORDING TO THE LAO CAPTAIN, CAPTAIN
 MORGAN'S FATHER, VINCENT JEFFE SON DONKUE, FAILED IN
 AN ATTEMPT TO CONTACT HIS SON LAST YEAR THROUGH AN LRG
 CONDUIT HEADED BY . THE
 FATHER HAS MADE CONTACT WITH ANOTHER LRG, AND TWO OF
 THE FATHER'S REPRESENTATIVES, A MR MICHAEL AND MR
 FRAP (NFI), WILL ARRIVE IN THAILAND IN LATE APRIL FOR
 DISCUSSION WITH THE GROUP CONCERNING "MORGAN'S"
 RESCUE. THE "CAPTAIN" CLAIMED THAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF
 THE LRG BUT DID NOT PROVIDE THE LOCATION OF THE
 MEETING.

3. THE LRG "CAPTAIN" ALSO MENTIONED THAT AN
 AMERICAN CITIZEN LIVING IN UDORN . WAS
 SOMEHOW INVOLVED. THE "CAPTAIN" FURTHER CLAIMED THAT
 HIS GROUP ENCLOSED A LAO FROM SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE WHO
 HAD SEEN SIX "PW" WORKING ON AN AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION
 PROJECT IN SAM MEUA SOMETIME IN THE RECENT PAST, AND
 WAS PREPARED TO GO BACK AND TAKE PHOTOS. THE LAO WAS
 ONLY IDENTIFIED AS . OWNS AN ELEPHANT USED
 FOR FIELD CLEARING PROJECTS.

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4. WAS ASSEF BY THE "CAPTAIN"
 TO NFI P SECDEF LETTERS

TO GIVE THEIR COOPERATION TO THE "CAPTAIN".
 DID NOT WANT TO BECOME INVOLVED AND REFUSED

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ARMED GUARDS WERE GUARDING THE DETAINEES.

BESIDES THIS CAMP, THERE ARE 21 AMERICAN SOLDIERS
STILL RESTRAINED IN THE CAMP OF HUANG MIAMKHUT IN
KHAMMOUANE PROVINCE. SO ALTOGETHER THERE ARE 74 AMERICAN
DETAINEES.

THE LAO LIBERATION SOLDIER ALSO INFORMED THAT FROM
THE GROUP OF 53 AMERICANS, 3 WERE NOT DETAINED BECAUSE THEY
ARE OLD. THESE THREE ARE ASSIGNED TO GET FOOD, AND
THEY ARE PERMITTED TO GO TO THE VILLAGE TO GET FOOD FOR
THE OTHER AMERICANS. ALTHOUGH THESE THREE ARE FREE,
THEY ARE ESCORTED WHENEVER THEY GO TO THE VILLAGE.

REGARDING THE OTHER 21 AMERICANS DETAINED AT HUANG
MIAMKHUT, IT IS REPORTED THAT 2 OF THE MEN HAVE DIED
SO THERE ARE NOW ONLY 13 STILL ALIVE.

THE LAO LIBERATION SOLDIER ALSO INFORMED THAT THEY
HAVE ACCUMULATED THE CORPSES OF 5 AMERICAN SOLDIERS AT
THEIR BASE. THE FIVE AMERICAN SOLDIERS ARE:

1. MR. GUY HILL-LA GRANGE ILLINOIS.
2. MR. WANZEL CHARLES ILLINOIS 120780292 P. PUS.
ROMAN CATHOLIC.
3. MR. SIMMONS ROBERTE OR2420975.

AS FOR THE OTHER 2 CORPSES, THEY ARE STILL UNIDENTIFIED.
(END OF ARTICLE).

2. (1) TWO OF ABOVE NAMES CORRELATE TO AIR FORCE
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SIMMONS, ROBERT E. IREFNO 1807-0-091. COPY OF THE
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HOW CAN ANY AMERICAN READING THIS NOT
DEMAND YOUR GOVERNMENT TAKE ACTION

AN ARTICLE HAS JUST BEEN CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION
WHICH APPEARED IN THE THAI LANGUAGE "HUANG LUFI NEWS"
NEWSPAPER, ISSUE OF 1-15 APRIL 1985. THE ARTICLE IS
DATED ON THE FRONT PAGE, BUT THE TEXT APPEARS ON PAGES
AND 7. THE INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT IS AS
FOLLOWS:

ON 15 MARCH 1985, AT 0900 HOURS, A LAO LIBERATION
FOUR NAME NOT REVEALED, INFORMED THE NEWSMAN THAT LAO
LIBERATION FORCES WERE PATROLLING AT SEPINE DISTRICT IN
VANHARNEY PROVINCE OF LAOS IN FEBRUARY 1985. THERE THEY
SCOURED A CAMP WHERE 53 AMERICAN SOLDIERS WERE DETAINED.
THE DEEP JUNGLE ON THE BORDER BETWEEN LAOS AND VIETNAM.
COMBINED FORCE OF 100 LAO AND VIETNAMESE SOLDIERS AND

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3330 MAY 85.

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JAN 88

SUBJ: JCRC RPT T83-01:

2. SUMMARY:

SOURCE ALSO PROVIDED THE NAMES OF THREE ALLEGED AMERICAN PRISONERS WHICH THE VIETNAMESE WERE CONSIDERING RELEASING TO GENERAL VESSEY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS VISIT TO HANOI IN AUGUST 1987.
END SUMMARY.

11. ASKED JCRC REP IF HE WAS AWARE THAT DURING THE AUGUST "VESSEY VISIT" TO HANOI, THE VIETNAMESE WERE PREPARED TO TURN OVER SEVEN OR EIGHT LIVE POW'S TO VESSEY "TOLD THEM THAT THEY WANTED TO HEAR". IT TURNED OUT, HE CONTINUED, THAT VESSEY WAS NOT AS FORTHCOMING AS THEY HAD HOPED, AND SO NO PRISONERS WERE TURNED OVER. SOURCE STATED THAT ~~HE WAS~~

PROVIDED HIM WITH THE NAMES OF THREE OF THE AMERICANS THE VIETNAMESE WERE PREPARED TO RELEASE. THE NAMES: "MORGAN DANAHUE".

ALL THE PROSPECTIVE RETURNEES WERE ALLEGEDLY HELD IN A LOCATION ON THE LAO SIDE OF THE LAO/VIETNAM BORDER DURING THE TALKS. SOURCE STATED THAT AFTER PROVIDING THE ABOVE INFORMATION, CONTACT WITH HIM

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Colonel V.J. Donahue, USAF, Retired
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2 OCT 1991

Dear Colonel Donahue

The attached document, which we recently received from the Department of State, has been declassified/sanitized and is forwarded for your information.

Contact us when we can be of assistance to you.

Sincerely

William R. Frampton
 WILLIAM R. FRAMPTON
 Senior Liaison Officer
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MEMORANDUM


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FROM: Frank M. Machak, Director *by J. J. J.*
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SUBJECT: Reply to Referral for Concurrence

REF: Your memorandum dated July 18, 1991 (Case no. DPMCB (DSN 487-3752))


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We have reviewed the material attached to your memorandum and we recommend that:

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If you requested us to limit our review to marked portions of documents or provided us with incomplete documents, we have confined our review and comment only to those portions marked or provided. If you have any questions, please call (202) 647-8484 and cite our case control number shown above.

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FOLLOWING MSG RCV'D FM UDORN 01 APR IS REPEATED FOR YOUR ACTION/INFO:

QUOTE:

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FOR JCRC - LT. COL. MATHER

TAGS: MOPIS, LA
SUBJECT: SKYHOOK II PROPOSAL
REF: (A) SECDEF WASHDC 210247Z MAR 86; (B) JCRC-DR
130310Z FEB 86; (C) MATHER-BRAND PHONICON 3/26

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. CONSUL CONTACTED [REDACTED] ON MARCH 29 TO RELAY MESSAGE CONTAINED IN REF A. CONSUL STATED THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION WHICH PROVIDED POW/MIA INFORMATION TO THE USG WHICH PROVED TO BE TRUE AND WHICH LED TO THE RECOVERY OF ANY LIVE AMERICANS WOULD RECEIVE DUE RECOGNITION FROM THE USG. THE SAME ASSURANCES COULD BE GIVEN TO SKYHOOK II'S FINANCIAL BACKERS. CONSUL ADDED. CONSUL URGED [REDACTED] TO CONTINUE TO PASS ON TO THE USG ANY INFORMATION, PARTICULARLY THAT WHICH APPEARED TO BE SOLID EVIDENCE, CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF AMERICAN POWS.

3. [REDACTED] REACTED COOLLY TO THE RESPONSE TO HIS SKYHOOK II PROPOSAL, STATING THAT HE WISHED TO BE CLOSELY INVOLVED IN ANY USG ACTIONS TAKEN BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY HIM, ON THE OTHER HAND, [REDACTED] PROMISED TO TURN OVER ALL EVIDENCE WHICH HIS CONTACTS GLEANED ON THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF POWS. HE STATED THAT HE CURRENTLY WAS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN DETAILED INFORMATION ON TWO LOCATIONS. ONE ALLEGEDLY IS THE SITE OF A DETENTION CAMP IN NORTHERN SARAVAN PROVINCE, LAOS WHICH [REDACTED] LAO SOURCES CLAIM CONTAINS 17 AMERICAN POWS INCLUDING [REDACTED] LAO SOURCES HAVE TOLD HIM THAT [REDACTED] IS THE "GROUP LEADER". [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAS SENT IN

AGENTS TO RECONNOITER THE ALLEGED CAMP AND EXPECTS THEIR RETURN TO THAILAND WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED] PROMISED TO TURN OVER THE RESULTS TO THE CONSUL. AT THIS POINT, HE DID NOT WISH TO REVEAL THE EXACT COORDINATES OF THE SARAVAN SITE, STATING ONLY THAT IT WAS VERY CLOSE TO THE RECENT CRASH SITE EXCAVATION CARRIED OUT BY THE U. S. AND LPRD GOVERNMENTS.

4. ANOTHER SITE ON WHICH [REDACTED] WAS ATTEMPTING TO GET MORE INFORMATION IS NEAR THE LAO-VIETNAMESE BORDER IN THE VICINITY OF ROUTE 8 (INSIDE LAOS) AND NAPE PASS (NF 1733) CLOSE TO A VILLAGE CALLED BAN BAN (NCA). ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] SOURCES, FIVE OR SIX AMERICANS ARE BEING HELD THERE, INCLUDING MORGAN DONOHUE. DONOHUE ALLEGEDLY TALKED TO [REDACTED] AGENTS RECENTLY. DONOHUE PURPORTEDLY STATED THAT HE WOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO FLEE FROM DETENTION UNTIL A "CREDIBLE" CONTACT APPROACHED HIM WHO COULD CONVINCE HIM THAT HE WAS NOT A COMMUNIST AGENT AND THAT HIS PEOPLE WERE INDEED CAPABLE OF EXTRICATING THE AMERICANS SUCCESSFULLY. DONOHUE ALLEGEDLY TENDS WATER BUFFALO AND IS REASONABLY FREE TO MOVE AROUND. [REDACTED] IS TRYING TO NARROW DOWN THE EXACT LOCATION OF THIS SITE.

BEING COMMENT: [REDACTED] HAS INDICATED FULL AGREEMENT IN THIS AND IN PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CONSUL THAT HE HEARSAY REPORTS OF LIVE POWS FROM LAO EXPATRIATES CANNOT BE TAKEN AS FACT. THAT SOLID EVIDENCE MUST BE PRODUCED BEFORE THE USG CAN REGARD SUCH REPORTS AS CREDIBLE. END COMMENT. BT

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LIMITS

FOR JCRC - LT. COL. MATHER

TAGS: MOPS, LA
SUBJECT: SEYKHOX II PROPOSAL

5. [REDACTED] STATED THAT JEFF DOMKHUE, BROTHER OF
NIA MORGAN DOMKHUE, IS CURRENTLY RUNNING FOUR
POW SEARCH EFFORTS INTO LAOS (TWO ARE IN KHAMMOUAN
AND TWO ARE IN SARAVAN). HE STATED THAT JEFF
DOMKHUE WORKS FOR UNION CARBIDE IN HONG KONG
BUT TRAVELS FREQUENTLY TO THAILAND.

6. CONSUL ASKED [REDACTED] IF HE COULD REVEAL THE NAMES
OF THE "FINANCIAL BACKERS" ALLUDED TO IN HIS
PROPOSAL FOR COOPERATION WITH THE USG. [REDACTED]
RESPONDED THAT HIS BOSS, [REDACTED] HAS
TOLD HIM THAT THEY INCLUDE [REDACTED] FORMER TREASURY
SECRETARY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ADDED THAT
[REDACTED] HAS PUT UP LITTLE MONEY BUT HAS PROMISED MORE IF
SEYKHOX II CAN SHOW RESULTS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS THAT
[REDACTED] HAS CONTRIBUTED "GENEROUSLY" AND THAT HE
[REDACTED] HAS SEEN THE CANCELLED CHECKS. HE ADDED
THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY HAS TOLD [REDACTED] THAT
HE REGRETTED THAT HE COULD NOT DO MORE TO RECOVER
AMERICAN POWS WHILE HE WAS PRESIDENT; THAT WATER-
GATE DISTRACTED HIS ATTENTION AND EFFORTS. NOW,
ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] FEELS THAT HE MUST
TRY TO MAKE UP FOR THE PAST BY SUPPORTING PRIVATE
EFFORTS TO RECOVER THE POWS.

7. BEGIN COMMENT - WE PASS ALONG THE ABOVE FOR
WHAT IT MAY BE WORTH. [REDACTED] PROMISED THAT HE WOULD
TURN OVER ALL OF HIS POW/NIA INFORMATION TO THE CONSUL. HE
CONTINUES, HOWEVER, TO REFUSE TO DEAL WITH ANY OTHER
USG OFFICIAL. CONSUL WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP
THE [REDACTED] CHANNEL OPEN AND REPORT
ACCORDINGLY AS REQUESTED BY EMBASSY BANGKOK AND
WASHINGTON OFFICES. AT THE SAME TIME, CONSUL WILL
CONTINUE TO TRY TO PERSUADE [REDACTED] TO DEAL WITH
OTHER USG REPRESENTATIVES, PARTICULARLY

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

21 AUGUST 1987

SUBJECT: INTERVIEW OF

1. BACKGROUND: ON 7 AUGUST 1987, DIRECTED THAT AN INTERVIEW BE CONDUCTED AS SOON AS PRACTICAL WITH [REDACTED] FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING HIS INFORMATION PURPORTEDLY REGARDING U.S. PW'S STILL IN CAPTIVITY IN THE AREA BETWEEN SEPONE, LAOS AND KHE SANH, SRV. SOMETIME BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED] FORWARDED TO A [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED] CONTAINING THE INFORMATION [REDACTED] HAD IN HIS POSSESSION. I LATER INFORMED [REDACTED] BY TELEPHONE THAT I WISHED TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] DIRECTLY AND SET UP A TIME AND DATE FOR THE INTERVIEW; [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY AGREED TO MEET ME AT [REDACTED]

A. [REDACTED] HAD REPORTED OTHER INFORMATION DURING 1986 THAT PROVED TO BE OF NO VALUE. HE ALSO UNDERWENT A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION REGARDING THAT INFORMATION THAT RESULTED IN INDICATIONS THAT HE WAS DECEPTIVE TO QUESTIONS RELATING TO DELIBERATELY PROVIDING FALSE PW/MIA INFORMATION AND CONSPIRING WITH OTHERS TO PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION TO THE USG. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] WANTED TO "CLEAR HIS NAME" BY PROVIDING FURTHER INFORMATION.

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B. AFTER ARRIVING IN _____ ON 13 AUG 1987, I
CONTACTED AND MET WITH _____ IN HIS OFFICE WHERE HE
REITERATED HIS DISLIKE FOR _____ (HE HAD DONE SO OVER THE
TELEPHONE ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS DURING THE PERIOD WHEN I WAS
NEGOTIATING FOR AN INTERVIEW WITH _____ WHEN ASKED
WHY HE MAINTAINED A RELATIONSHIP WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HE
OBVIOUSLY DISTRUSTED, _____ RESPONDED THAT HE DOES SO IN
THE HOPE THAT _____ PW/MIA INFORMATION MAY PROVE
ACCURATE. ALSO DURING THE 13TH OF AUGUST, I MET WITH _____
IN _____ WHO INFORMED ME THAT _____ IS
CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT FOR
POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT. _____ IS ALSO
OF INTEREST TO THE DEA.

2. ON 14 AUGUST 1987, I MET WITH AND INTERVIEWED _____
HE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION.

A. DURING A DINNER MEETING IN AUG 1986 THAT HAD BEEN
ARRANGED BY _____, KNOWN ASSOCIATE OF _____
MET A MAN NAMED _____, AMONG OTHERS AT
THE MEETING WAS AN INDIVIDUAL CALLED _____ ALSO AN
PROCLAIMED LAO RESISTANCE
LEADER. THE DINNER WAS ARRANGED IN ORDER FOR

MEET PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE OR SEARCH FOR
 US PW/MIA INFORMATION. SINCE THAT MEETING, HAS
 MAINTAINED OCCASIONAL CONTACT WITH ; IS
 DESCRIBED AS ABOUT

B. AFTER A TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH (DATE
 UNRECALLED MET WITH HIM AT ROOM IN HIS
 HOTEL IN BANGKOK, THE MEETING TOOK PLACE ON
 APPROXIMATELY 20 JUL 1987. NO ONE ELSE WAS PRESENT.
 STATED THAT LAO CHINESE "SCOUTS" FROM A
 ORGANIZATION HAD RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A FORAY NEAR THE
 LAO/VIETNAM BORDER AND PROVIDED WITH INFORMATION ON US
 PW'S AND GAVE SIX PHOTOGRAPHS OF AN ALLEGED AMERICAN
 PW AND OF THE CAMP IN WHICH HE WAS KEPT. THE PHOTOS WERE
 TAKEN ABOUT 45 TO 60 DAYS PRIOR TO THE