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080808 RADIO OF THE NEUTRALIST PARTY (CLANDESTINE) IN LAO TO
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 TEXT) LT. BOUN LOUANE RPT BOUN LOUANE OF THE FOURTH PARATROOP
 ATTALION OF THE NEUTRALIST PARTY IN THE THIRD MILITARY
 REGION AND TWO OF HIS MEN SUCCEEDED IN ESCAPING FROM THE PATHET
 AO PRISON AND JOINING THE FREE ZONE ON SIXTEEN 16 FEBRUARY 1964
 NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR. IT IS KNOWN THAT LT. BOUN LOUANE AND HIS
 MEN WERE CAPTURED BY THE DRV-PATHET LAO FORCE DURING AN ATTACK
 AGAINST THE NEUTRALIST POSITION AT MUONG PHINE ON SIXTEEN

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16 AUGUST 1963 NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND WERE DETAINED IN THE
 MUONG PHINE PRISON. AFTER REACHING THE FREE ZONE, LT. BOUN LOUANE
 TOLD ABOUT HIS ESCAPE. HE SAID THAT HE PASSED THROUGH MANY
 VILLAGES (NAMES OF VILLAGES INDISTINCT) AND FINALLY ARRIVED AT
 BAN TA LEO----PHONETIC) WHERE HE ASKED THE COBITANTS TO
 ACCOMPANY HIM TO (NAME OF LOCALITY INDISTINCT).

SPEAKING OF THE SURVIVORS OF AIR AMERICA COMPANY'S CCC--46
 FORTYSEVEN WHICH WAS SHOT DOWN BY THE VIET MINH QON FIVE

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THERE WERE FIVE SURVIVORS: ONE AMERICAN?, ONE CHINESE, AND THREE
 LAO. THESE FIVE MEN, THE LIEUTENANT SAID, HAVE BEEN KEPT IN A DARK
 CELL IN MUONG PHINE PRISON. LT. BOUN LOUANE STATED THAT HE TRIED ON
 MANY OCCASIONS TO TALK IN THAI WITH THE THAI PRISONERS, AND THEY
 TOLD HIM THAT THEY WERE FIRST KEPT FOR TWO WEEKS IN MUONG PHINE
 AND LATER SENT TO TCHEPONE WHERE THEY WERE INTERROGATED BY THE
 REV-PATHET LAO FORCE. FIFTEEN DAYS LATER, THEY WERE SENT BACK
 TO MUONG PHINE AND HAVE SINCE BEEN KEPT IN THE DARK CELL.

THESE PRISONERS OF WAR, THE LIEUTENANT SAID, HAVE NO CHANCE OF
 CLOTHES AND THEY HAVE EACH RECEIVED ONE BLANKET FROM THE
 REV. PARTY. FOR FOOD THEY HAVE HALF A KILO OF SALTED RICE

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REV. PARTY. FOR FOOD THEY HAVE HALF A KILO OF SALTED RICE A DAY
 AND ONE OR TWO PIECES OF CHICKEN A WEEK. THEY ARE ALLOWED ONE
 MEAL A DAY AT 1500 FIFTEEN HUNDRED HOURS. THEY SLEEP ON A
 BAMBOO BED AND EACH IS GIVEN FOUR CIGARETTES A WEEK.

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THESE PRISONERS OF WAR, APART FROM THEIR SAD MENTAL STATE,
 APPEAR TO BE VERY WEAK BECAUSE OF THE POOR FOOD AND THE POOR
 SANITARY CONDITIONS. THESE PRISONERS OF WAR ARE NOT PERMITTED
 ALLOWED TO TALK TO ANYONE AND HAVE NO PAPERS OR LETTERS TO
 READ. IN CONCLUSION, LT. BOUN LOUANE SAID, THE REV-PATHET LAO
 FORCE IS VERY (CRUEL TOWARD PRISONERS OF WAR?) 080530 THOMS
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