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 REPORT CLASS ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
 DIST: 08 NOVEMBER 1986
 COUNTRY: VIETNAM
 SUBJ: ABSENCE OF AMERICANS AT THE PHONG QUANG AND PHU SON-1
 REEDUCATION CAMPS IN NORTHERN VIETNAM.
 DOI: DECEMBER 1976 TO DECEMBER 1979
 SOURCE: [REDACTED]

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TEXT: 1. FROM DECEMBER 1976 TO DECEMBER 1978 THERE WERE NO AMERICANS AT THE PHONG QUANG REEDUCATION CAMP IN HOANG LIEN SON PROVINCE, NORTHERN VIETNAM. THE PHONG QUANG CAMP WAS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 30 KILOMETERS (KMS) FROM THE BORDER OF CHINA.

2. THE PHONG QUANG CAMP WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR (BNV). BNV MAJOR (FNU) ((QUI)) WAS CAMP COMMANDER. MAJOR QUI HAD A STAFF OF ABOUT 50 BNV OFFICERS AND MEN TO HANDLE REEDUCATION AND GUARD DUTIES. GOVERNMENT VEHICLES WERE THE ONLY APPARENT MEANS OF COMMUNICATIONS OUTSIDE THE CAMP.

3. THIS FACILITY WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO SUBCAMPS KNOWN AS ZONES A AND B, OR PHONG QUANG A AND PHONG QUANG B. THERE WERE ABOUT 250 PRISONERS IN EACH OF THE SUBCAMPS. PHONG QUANG A DETAINED ABOUT 40 FORMER ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (ARVN) FIELD GRADE OFFICERS AND ABOUT 100 FORMER ARVN JUNIOR GRADE OFFICERS. THE OTHER PRISONERS INCLUDED FORMER SOUTH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT (GVN) POLICE SPECIAL BRANCH NCO'S, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION PERSONNEL AND FORMER COMMUNIST RALLIERS. THIS CAMP WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY CHINESE MILITARY FORCES DURING THEIR ATTACKS AGAINST VIETNAM IN EARLY 1979.

COMMENT: [REDACTED] OBTAINED THE LATTER INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] INMATES WHO WERE AT THE CAMP JUST PRIOR TO THE CHINESE ATTACKS. THEY LATER SHARED THE INFORMATION [REDACTED]

4. FROM DECEMBER 1978 TO DECEMBER 1979 THERE WERE NO AMERICANS AT THE PHU SON-1 REEDUCATION CAMP IN BAC THAI PROVINCE, NORTHERN VIETNAM. THE PHU SON-1 CAMP WAS LOCATED ABOUT EIGHT KMS NORTHWEST OF THAI NGUYEN CITY, BAC THAI PROVINCE.

5. THIS REEDUCATION CAMP WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE BNV. A STAFF OF ABOUT 150 BNV OFFICERS AND MEN WERE ASSIGNED TO THE CAMP. PHU SON-1 WAS EQUIPPED WITH TELEPHONES AND SEVERAL RADIO TRANSMITTERS OF UNKNOWN TYPE.

6. THE PHU SON-1 CAMP WAS DIVIDED INTO ZONES A AND B. THERE WERE ABOUT 1600 PRISONERS AT THE CAMP WITH ABOUT 800 INMATES IN EACH ZONE. ZONE B HELD ABOUT 700 FORMER ARVN JUNIOR GRADE OFFICERS. OTHER PRISONERS INCLUDED LESS THAN 100 FORMER GVN CIVIL SERVANTS, AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF FIELD GRADE OFFICERS, FORMER THIRD FORCE MEMBERS, FORMER GVN SENATORS, LOWER HOUSE MEMBERS, COURT JUDGES, FORMER RALLIERS, POLICE SPECIAL BRANCH NCO'S AND ABOUT 12 FORMER CATHOLIC CHAPLAINS WHO WERE IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT. SOMETIME AFTER DECEMBER 1979, THE PHU SON-1 REEDUCATION CAMP WAS DISBANDED AND THE BNV CONVERTED THIS AREA TO A BNV OFFICERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

COMMENT: [REDACTED] HEARD BNV CADRES AT THE NAM HA REEDUCATION CAMP COMMENTING ABOUT THIS BNV TRAINING SCHOOL. (JUNE 1986). FIELD NO. [REDACTED]

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