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DIST: 16 APRIL 1987
COUNTRY: VIETNAM
SUBJ: POW/MIA: ABSENCE OF AMERICANS AT AND DESCRIPTION
OF REEDUCATION CAMP-2 IN HOANG LIEN SON PROVINCE,
NORTHERN VIETNAM
DOI: 1 JULY 1976 - SEPTEMBER 1978
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TEXT: 1. FROM 1 JULY 1976 TO SEPTEMBER 1978 THERE WERE NO AMERICANS AT REEDUCATION CAMP-2 IN HOANG LIEN SON PROVINCE, NORTHERN VIETNAM. CAMP-2 WAS LOCATED IN TICH COC HAMLET, CAM VAN VILLAGE, HAM YEN DISTRICT, HOANG LIEN SON, ABOUT 30 KILOMETERS (KMS), DIRECTION UNKNOWN, FROM YEN BAI CITY. COMMENT: CAMP-2 WAS BUILT BY [REDACTED] IN AN UNINHABITED MOUNTAINOUS-JUNGLE AREA OF HOANG LIEN SON.)

2. AN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT OF THE 776TH PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM (PAVN) GROUP ADMINISTERED CAMP-2. PAVN SENIOR CAPTAIN ANH SAU (BROTHER SIX) WAS CAMP COMMANDER; THE DEPUTY COMMANDER AND CONCURRENTLY POLITICAL OFFICER WAS PAVN SENIOR LIEUTENANT (SR LT) ANH HAI (BROTHER TWO); THE REAR SERVICES CHIEF WAS SR LT ((BANG)). THE AMP STAFF INCLUDED ABOUT 50 OFFICERS AND MEN FROM VARIOUS PAVN INFANTRY, ENGINEER, SPECIAL ACTION AND AIR FORCE UNITS.

3. PRISONERS WERE DIVIDED INTO FOUR UNITS LOCATED ABOUT FIVE KMS APART. UNITS ONE THROUGH THREE, CONSISTING OF ABOUT 80 MEN EACH, WERE DIVIDED INTO FOUR CELLS EACH, AND WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEARING JUNGLE, PREPARING THE LAND FOR CULTIVATION AND GROWING FOOD CROPS. UNIT FOUR HANDLED MESS HALL DUTY, WOOD CUTTING AND LIVESTOCK RAISING. UNIT FOUR CONSISTED OF ABOUT 110 MEN.

4. ALL PRISONERS AT THIS FACILITY WERE FORMER ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (ARVN) CAPTAINS. AMONG THEM ABOUT 30 OFFICERS WERE PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED TO ARVN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OR MILITARY SECURITY UNITS. ABOUT 10 OF THESE MEN WERE PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE OFFICERS AND ALL THE OTHERS WERE FROM ARVN INFANTRY, ARTILLERY OR ARMOR UNITS. THERE WERE NO COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES AT REEDUCATION CAMP-2.

5. THE FOLLOWING ARVN OFFICERS COOPERATED WITH AND RECEIVED SPECIAL PRIVILEGES FROM THE CAMP ADMINISTRATION:

A. CAPTAIN DINH THANH ((TUAN)), A FORMER AIRBORNE ARTILLERY OFFICER. THE CAMP STAFF FREQUENTLY TOOK TUAN TO THE 776TH GROUP HEADQUARTERS WHERE HE RECEIVED PRAISE, HAD HIS PICTURE TAKEN AND WAS ALLOWED TO WRITE HOME TO HIS FAMILY. TUAN ALSO RECEIVED MORE AND BETTER FOOD RATIONS THAN DID MOST OF HIS FELLOW PRISONERS.

B. CAPTAIN NGUYEN VAN ((THUAN)), A FORMER ARTILLERY UNIT OFFICER. THUAN RECEIVED PRIVILEGES SIMILAR TO TUAN.

C. CAPTAIN TRUONG DINH ((HANH)), A FORMER MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FROM 4TH CORPS AND SAIGON. HANH WAS CAMP MEDIC. HE DECIDED WHO, AMONG THE OTHER PRISONERS, WOULD BE EXCUSED FROM CAMP LABOR DETAILS DUE TO ILLNESS. HE ALSO DECIDED WHO WOULD RECEIVE MEDICINE. THE ABOVE OFFICERS REPORTED ON THE ATTITUDES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE OTHER PRISONERS AT THE CAMP, AND IN EXCHANGE THEY RECEIVED BETTER FOOD RATIONS, LIVING CONDITIONS AND WERE NOT ASSIGNED TO HARD LABOR.

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