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REPORT CLASS S E C R E T [Redacted]

DIST: 18 MAY 1987

COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: ABSENCE OF AMERICANS FROM DECEMBER 1975 TO
 AUGUST 1986 AT PHONG SAVAN REEDUCATION CAMP IN XIENG
 KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: 1975 - 1986

SOURCE: [Redacted]

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SA [redacted]

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TEXT: 1. ACCORDING TO [redacted] FROM LATE 1975 TO AUGUST 1986, THERE WERE NO AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR (POWS) BEING HELD AT THE PHONG SAVAN REEDUCATION CAMP LOCATED NEAR LEE (UG 1052) VILLAGE, XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (LPDR).

[redacted] NEITHER SAW NOR HEARD ANY RUMORS OF AMERICAN POWS AT THE PHONG SAVAN CAMP.

2. IN DECEMBER 1975, (AT THE TIME OF THE COMMUNIST TAKEOVER), 39 FORMER MEMBERS OF THE RLAF IN LUANG PRABANG PROVINCE WERE ROUNDED UP BY LPDR OFFICIALS AND WERE TRANSPORTED BY TRUCK TO PHONG SAVAN AIRFIELD. THE FORMER RLAF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE PHONG SAVAN CAMP WERE FROM PRIVATE TO CAPTAIN RANK. RLAF OFFICERS ABOVE THE RANK OF MAJOR FROM LUANG PRABANG PROVINCE WERE ASSIGNED TO A CAMP IN VIENGSAI DISTRICT, HOUA PHAN PROVINCE. THE PHONG SAVAN CAMP WAS CONTROLLED BY A GUARD FORCE OF 10 LAO PEOPLE'S ARMY (LPA) SOLDIERS. THERE WERE ALSO AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM TROOPS IN THE AREA. WORK AT THE CAMP CONSISTED OF WOOD CUTTING AND FARMING. THERE WERE FEW REEDUCATION CLASSES.

3. IN CIRCA 1981, [redacted] STATED THAT HE SAW A GROUP OF LPDR OFFICIALS ACCOMPANIED BY TWO OR THREE CAUCASIANS. HE WAS TOLD BY OTHER PEOPLE THAT THESE LPDR OFFICIALS WERE FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WERE SEARCHING WITH AMERICANS FOR THE REMAINS OF AMERICAN SERVICEMEN. [redacted] COMMENT: THE CAUCASIANS DID NOT APPEAR TO BE UNDER GUARD AND THERE WAS NO PROOF THAT THEY WERE AMERICANS.)

4. [redacted]

DISSEM: [redacted] SENT TO USCINCPAC, IPAC, WESTCOM, PACAF, PACFLT, COMSEVENTHFLT, FOSIF/WESTPAC.
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