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SUBJECT: Alleged Imprisonment of a Group of U.S. Pilots in a House Near What Is Now Nam Ha Reeducation Camp A, In Ha Nam Ninh Province, Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Through At Least August 1976

TEXT: 1. On 11 August 1976 two hundred former officials of the Government of (South) Vietnam (GVN) were sent to Nam Ha Reeducation Camp A in Ha Nam Ninh Province, Socialist Republic of Vietnam (SRV). Shortly before their arrival, a group of U.S. pilots were allegedly imprisoned in a small house near Nam Ha Camp A. The house was located about 1.5 kilometers from Camp A and was near a fork in the road. One portion of the road led to Nam Ha Camp B. The pilots had been moved from Camp A, and the house was being utilized as an apricot liquor factory, by the time the former GVN officials had arrived.

2. [redacted] Comment: This information was obtained from [redacted] who was placed under house arrest by the SRV in April 1975 and held in that status until 22 August 1975. [redacted] was then arrested and held in a prison in the southern SRV until 11 August 1976 when he was transferred to Nam Ha Camp A. On 23 May 1980 he was sent to Ha Tay Reeducation Camp in Ha Son Binh Province, SRV. On 4 June 1980 he was released from the reeducation camp. [redacted] escaped from the SRV on 10 May 1983. [redacted] learned of the alleged detention of the U.S. pilots [redacted] at Nam Ha Reeducation Camp A, whom he met when he was temporarily relocated to the criminal detention center, which was situated one kilometer from Camp A. Prisoners who were ill were moved to that detention center during visits to the reeducation camp by delegations from foreign countries.

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