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STAFF [redacted] DIRECTOR [redacted]

TO: [redacted]

SUBJECT: 1977 POW REPORT

REF: [redacted]

1. PER REF PARA 3 REQUEST, FOLLOWING IS REPORT TITLED [redacted] ON AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR REMAINING IN VIETNAM."

"1. [redacted]

[redacted] THERE WERE AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR (POW'S) STILL REMAINING IN VIETNAM AND THAT THESE POW'S POSED A PROBLEM TO THE OPENING OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE SRV AND THE UNITED STATES (U.S.). [redacted] THAT THESE POW'S INCLUDED SOME WHO DID NOT WANT TO RETURN TO THE U.S. [redacted] COMMENT: NO REASON WAS GIVEN AS TO WHY [redacted] WOULD MAKE SUCH A STATEMENT ON POW'S, ESPECIALLY TO AN [redacted]

"2. [redacted] COMMENT: OTHER THAN ONE AMERICAN CIVILIAN WHO WAS ARRESTED IN SAIGON AFTER ITS FALL IN 1975, THE SRV IS NOT KNOWN TO HAVE ANY LIVE AMERICAN MILITARY OR CIVILIAN PRISONERS. NEVERTHELESS, SEVERAL UNCONFIRMED REPORTS HAVE APPEARED SINCE MAY 1975 ON THE POSSIBILITY OF SOME U.S. PRISONERS STILL REMAINING IN VIETNAM.)"

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