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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

SUBJ: ABSENCE OF AMERICANS AT AND DESCRIPTION OF THE MY
 PHUOC REEDUCATION CAMP IN TIEN GIANG PROVINCE,
 SOUTHERN VIETNAM

DOI: JANUARY 1980 - SEPTEMBER 1982

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TEXT: 1. FROM JANUARY 1980 TO SEPTEMBER 1982 THERE WERE NO AMERICANS AT THE MY PHUOC REEDUCATION CAMP IN TIEN GIANG PROVINCE, SOUTHERN VIETNAM. THE CAMP WAS LOCATED IN LONG DINH VILLAGE, AKA BA BEO VILLAGE, CAI LAY DISTRICT, ABOUT 30 KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF MY THO CITY. THE MY PHUOC CAMP WAS ESTABLISHED AT A FORMER VIET CONG BASE CAMP DURING 1978. THERE WERE VESTIGES OF A VIET CONG HOSPITAL IN AN OTHERWISE BARREN FIELD.

2. THE MY PHUOC CAMP WAS ADMINISTERED BY THE TIEN GIANG PUBLIC SECURITY SERVICE (PSS). PSS MAJOR HO VAN ((DU)), WAS CAMP COMMANDER. PSS SENIOR LIEUTENANT NGUYEN VAN ((O)), AKA BAY O, WAS DEPUTY. THERE WERE ABOUT 20 PSS OFFICERS AND NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE CAMP STAFF AND APPROXIMATELY 30 PSS SOLDIERS TO GUARD THE FACILITY.

3. FROM JANUARY 1980 TO SEPTEMBER 1982 THERE WAS AN AVERAGE OF 1,400 PRISONERS AT THIS CAMP. INMATES CONSISTED OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PRISONERS, PERSONS ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE FROM VIETNAM AND CRIMINALS. THE PRISONERS WERE ORGANIZED INTO 21 UNITS (DOI), EACH OF WHICH CONSISTED OF FOUR CELLS. THERE WERE NO HIGH RANKING FORMER GOVERNMENT OF (SOUTH) VIETNAM (GVN) CIVIL SERVANTS OR ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF (SOUTH) VIETNAM (ARVN) OFFICERS AT THE CAMP. AS OF SEPTEMBER 1982 THERE WERE ONLY 17 FORMER JUNIOR GRADE ARVN OFFICERS DETAINED AT THIS FACILITY FOR REEDUCATION PURPOSES. ALL OTHER ARVN OFFICERS HAD BEEN ARRESTED EITHER FOR TRYING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY OR FOR INVOLVEMENT IN RESISTANCE ACTIVITIES. ALL OTHER PRISONERS WERE AT MY PHUOC TO SERVE SENTENCES FROM TWO TO FIVE YEAR OR LESS.

COMMENT: [REDACTED] THE MY PHUOC CAMP WAS STILL OPERATING AS OF ABOUT EARLY 1984. [REDACTED] DID NOT KNOW IF THE FACILITY WAS STILL FUNCTIONING IN 1988 [REDACTED]

4. COMMENT: [REDACTED]

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