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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DIST: 27 AUGUST 1987

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: POW/MIA: ALLEGED SIGHTING OF A LIVE CAUCASIAN  
AMERICAN PRISONER AT KHAM KEUT TOWN, KHOUENG  
KHAMMOUAM, LAOS, IN JUNE 1975

DOI: JUNE 1975

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TEXT: 1. ABOUT JUNE 1975, A CAUCASIAN PRISONER, ALLEGEDLY AN AMERICAN, WAS SITTING ON THE BAMBOO FLOOR OF A HOUSE IN KHAM KEUT TOWN (VF 710180), KHOUENG KHAMMOUAM, LAOS, IN THE CUSTODY OF THE 31ST SAPPER BATTALION OF THE FOURTH MILITARY REGION OF THE PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM (PAVN) AND THE LAO ARMY PROVINCIAL UNIT. THE CAUCASIAN HAD SHORT BROWN HAIR, WAS UNSHAVEN, HANDSOME, WORE A WRIST WATCH AND ONLY HIS SHORT UNDERPANTS. HE WAS ABOUT 1.75 METERS TALL. ACCORDING TO THE LOCAL UNIT'S LOUDSPEAKER, HE WAS CAPTURED AT THE LAO-THAI BORDER, EXACT LOCATION NOT MENTIONED, BY TROOPS OF THE PAVN 31ST SAPPER BATTALION TWO DAYS BEFORE. A COMPANION OF HIS ESCAPED TO THAILAND BY SWIMMING THE MEKONG RIVER. THE PRISONER HAD BEEN FORCE-MARCHED FOR TWO DAYS AND NIGHTS FROM WHERE HE WAS CAPTURED TO KHAM KEUT, LOCATED ON ROUTE EIGHT ABOUT 120 KILOMETERS FROM THE VIETNAMESE PUBLIC SECURITY BORDER CONTROL STATION TO THE EAST. THE CAUCASIAN WAS LOADED ON A "GAZ" TRUCK AFTER LUNCH AND TAKEN TO AN UNKNOWN DESTINATION ESCORTED BY TEN LAO TROOPS.

2. THE REFUGEE CLAIMED HE WATCHED THE CAPTURED CAUCASIAN IN THE HOUSE FROM A DISTANCE OF FIVE METERS FOR SOME 15 MINUTES AND HEARD THE ABOVE BROADCAST.)

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TO STATE	EXCLUSIVE FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY, INR
TO DIA	EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIA
TO NSA	EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, NSA

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TO: PRIORITY DIA.

<> ATTN: <><>VO-PW<><> GEN SHUFELT

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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL POW/MIA INFO ON LAOS

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1. (S NF [REDACTED] THE SOURCE OF [REDACTED] TITLED "REPORTED SIGHTING OF AMERICAN PRISONERS IN LAOS," WHOSE PAST REPORTING HAS BEEN GENERALLY RELIABLE, REPORTED THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

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2. (S NF [REDACTED] IN LATE JULY 1986, SOURCE'S SUBSOURCE, [REDACTED] IS A LAO RESIDENT, VISITED BAN KHOANG (QD 9332). BAN KHOANG HAS ABOUT 35 FAMILIES OF ETHNIC LUE PEOPLE. WHILE IN BAN KHOANG, SUBSOURCE REQUESTED TO VISIT MUANG NGOY (TH 5891), OBSTENSIVELY TO SEE THE GOLDEN BUDDHA AND THE MAGIC METAL, REPORTED TO BE HARDER THAN STEEL AND INVULNERABLE. SUBSOURCE WAS TOLD THAT HE COULD NOT GO THERE BECAUSE THERE WERE MANY PAVN IN MUANG NGOY AND THEY AND THE LPA DO NOT ALLOW OUTSIDERS. WHEN SUBSOURCE ASKED WHY THE AREA WAS RESTRICTED, HE WAS TOLD IT WAS BECAUSE THERE ARE AMERICANS BEING HELD THERE.

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3. (S NF [REDACTED] SUBSOURCE CONVINCED [REDACTED] TO GO TO MUANG NGOY AND BUY THEM A BUDDHA IMAGE. [REDACTED] WALKED TO THE INTERSECTION AT QD 8418 AND CAUGHT A BUS TO MUANG NAM BAC (TH 3583) AND WALKED TO MUANG NGOY KAO (TH 5891). UPON RETURN THEY SAID THAT SECURITY WAS VERY TIGHT IN MUANG NGOY AND THERE WERE MANY PAVN. THEY STAYED WITH A FRIEND [REDACTED] AND ASKED HIM TO TAKE THEM TO THE CAVE OF THAM PHA YONG WHERE A GOLDEN BUDDHA IS ON DISPLAY. [REDACTED] SAID THAT PEOPLE WERE ABSOLUTELY FORBIDDEN TO ENTER THE AREA BY THE PAVN. THERE ARE FOUR CAVES IN THE AREA AND PAVN USES THREE CAVES AND PROTECTS THEM WITH 30 MM ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS. ANOTHER CAVE CALLED THAM MUANG NGOY IS THE MOST RESTRICTED AREA BECAUSE IT IS A DETENTION CENTER. THERE IS ROOM FOR 3000 PEOPLE INSIDE THE CAVE. IT WAS THE SITE OF DETENTION OF THE LAST LAO KING OF LAOS AND MANY ROYAL RELATIVES AFTER THE COMMUNISTS TOOK OVER.

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4. (S NF [REDACTED] SAID THAT THE PAVN HAD CAUGHT [REDACTED]

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THREE AMERICANS SINCE 1975 AND PUT THEM IN THE CAVE CALLED  
SOP KHAN NOI. MANY VILLAGERS FROM MUANG NGOY HAVE SEEN THE  
AMERICANS WHEN THEY ARE TAKEN OUT TO BATHE AND GO TO THE  
BATHROOM. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAD SEEN THE AMERICANS WHEN HE  
SOLD SUGAR CANE AND FOOD TO THE PAVN WHO GUARDED THE CAVE. ONE  
AMERICAN IS TALLER THAN THE OTHERS WITH BROWN HAIR AND WALKS  
LIKE HE HAS AN INJURED RIGHT LEG. THE SECOND AMERICAN IS OF

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MEDIUM HEIGHT WITH SIDEBURNS AND A BLACK SPOT ON HIS RIGHT  
CHEEK THAT MIGHT BE A BIRTHMARK OR A SCAR CAUSED BY BEING HIT  
OR BURNED. [REDACTED] COULD THINK OF NO DISTINGUISHING FEATURES  
FOR THE THIRD AMERICAN.

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5. (S [REDACTED] ON 3 JUNE 1986, THE PAVN HAD REPORTEDLY  
MOVED THE POWS FROM SOP KHAN NOI TO THAM MUANG NGOY CAVE. THE  
PAVN SAID THAT ANY VILLAGER ENTERING THE NEW AREA WOULD BE  
SHOT. [REDACTED] HAD NOT BEEN TO THE THAM MUANG NGOY  
CAVE SINCE THE AMERICANS WERE MOVED THERE BUT USED TO HUNT IN  
THE AREA AND PROVIDED A SKETCH MAP.

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6. (S [REDACTED] SUBSOURCE MEMORIZED THE MAP AND REDREW  
IT FOR SOURCE. OUR BASE REPORTS THAT THE SKETCH MAP IS CLEAR  
ON MANY POINTS BUT HAS ONE GLARING ERROR. ACCORDING TO THE MAP,  
MUANG NGOY MAI (NEW MUANG NGOY) AND MUANG NGOY KAO (OLD MUANG  
NGOY) ARE ON THE WEST BANK OF THE NAM OU RIVER. UNLESS THESE  
ARE TWO SUB-VILLAGES OF MUANG NGOY THEY ARE ON THE WRONG BANK.  
HOWEVER, THE SKETCH MAP DOES SHOW THE AIRFIELD WHICH OUR BASE  
BELIEVES MUST BE THE ONE AT TH 573894. FROM THE MAP OUR  
OFFICER GUESSED THAT THE CAVE WHERE THE REPORTED AMERICANS ARE  
NOW IS AT TH 573984 OR JUST TO THE SOUTH IN THE IRREGULAR HILL  
THAT HAS ITS PEAK AT TH 563888. THE OLD CAVE IS LOCATED ABOUT  
TWO KILOMETERS NORTH OF THE NEW SITE AND ON THE EAST BANK OF  
THE RIVER. OUR BASE PUTS THIS AT THE HILL WITH ITS PEAK AT TH  
588899. OUR BASE CAUTIONED THAT THEY ARE BASING LOCATIONS ON  
THE SUPPOSITION THAT SUBSOURCE GOT THE AIRFIELD SITE ABOUT  
RIGHT. IF SO THEN THE OLD CAVE, NEW CAVE AND A PAVN AAA SITE  
SUBSOURCE MARKED, THAT WE PUT ON THE HILL AT TH 583881 WOULD BE  
ABOUT RIGHT.

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7. [REDACTED] HAS NOT AS YET RECEIVED THE MAP FROM OUR BASE.  
HOPE THIS WILL BE OF ASSISTANCE.

8. [REDACTED]

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END OF MESSAGE

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

MEMORANDUM FOR:

16 MAR 1977

Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

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Department of State

[redacted] Commander, USN (R)  
Chief, Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Branch  
Resources and Installations Division  
Directorate for Intelligence (Research Center

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[redacted] Captain, USN  
Principal Advisor for Prisoner of War and  
Missing in Action Affairs  
(International Security Affairs)  
Office of the Secretary of Defense

FROM :

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SUBJECT :

Comments of [redacted]  
on American Prisoners of War Remaining in  
Vietnam

Attached as of possible interest to you is a report resul  
from information obtained from an agent source in late January  
1977. We are giving this report no further dissemination.

Attachment:

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[REDACTED]  
COUNTRY: Vietnam

DOI : January 1977

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SUBJECT: Comments of [REDACTED] on  
American Prisoners of War Remaining in Vietnam

ACQ : [REDACTED] (Late January 1977) (b)(3) NatSecAct

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SOURCE : [REDACTED]

1. Upon his return to [REDACTED] in January 1977, [REDACTED]

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reported to [REDACTED]

that, according to Socialist Republic of Vietnam

(SRV) [REDACTED] and other SRV

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officials with whom [REDACTED] was in contact, there were American (b)(6)  
prisoners of war (POW's) still remaining in Vietnam and that (b)(6)  
these POW's posed a problem to the opening of diplomatic  
relations between the SRV and the United States (U.S.). [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that these POW's included some who did not  
want to return to the U.S. [REDACTED] No reason was

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given as to why [REDACTED] would make such a statement on POW's  
especially to an [REDACTED] (b)(3) NatSecAct

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2. [REDACTED] 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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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Department of State

Department of State

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[Redacted] Commander, USV (B)  
Chief, Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Branch  
Resources and Installations Division  
Directorate for Intelligence (Research Center)  
Defense Intelligence Agency

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FROM:

[Redacted]  
Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT:

Communist of a Socialist Republic of Vietnam  
(SRV) Ministry of Foreign Affairs Official on  
Relations with the United States and the  
Presence of Americans in the SRV

The attached report, which is of possible interest to you,  
was obtained from an agent source on 9 March 1977. We are  
giving this information no further dissemination.

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COUNTRY: VIETNAM

DOI: EARLY MARCH 1977

SUBJECT: COMMENTS OF A SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICIAL ON RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES AND THE PRESENCE OF AMERICANS IN THE SRV.

ACQ:

(9 MARCH 1977)

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SOURCE:

[REDACTED]

1. IN EARLY MARCH 1977 WHILE ON A VISIT TO TUNISIA TO

[REDACTED]

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MADE THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS REGARDING SRV RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES (U.S.) AND PRESENCE OF U.S. PERSONNEL IN VIETNAM.

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2. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE SRV WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HE SAID THAT THE MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCK IN THE PAST HAD BEEN THE U.S. VETO OF VIETNAM'S ENTRY INTO THE UNITED NATIONS BUT THAT NOW HIS COUNTRY FEELS THE U.S. WILL DROP THESE EFFORTS.

3. REGARDING U.S. INSISTENCE THAT THERE ARE STILL SOME AMERICANS IN VIETNAM WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ACCOUNTED FOR, [REDACTED] SAID THAT THE ONLY AMERICANS REMAINING IN VIETNAM ARE THOSE WHO MARRIED VIETNAMESE WOMEN AND HAVE GIVEN UP THEIR U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND HAVE BECOME VIETNAMESE.

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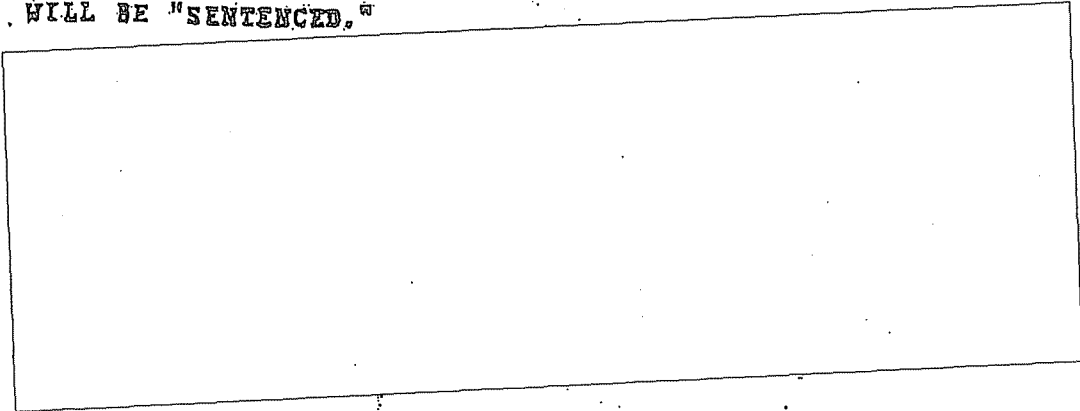
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A SMALL NUMBER OF AMERICANS WHO WERE IN VIETNAM AT THE TIME OF LIBERATION AND WHO WERE JUDGED TO HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES AGAINST THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE. THESE AMERICANS RENOUNCED THEIR CITIZENSHIP (SIC) AND WERE PLACED IN REEDUCATION CAMPS FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS. AT THE END OF THIS THREE-YEAR PERIOD THEY WILL BE EXPECTED TO ADMIT TO THEIR CRIMES AND MAKE A "SELF-CRITICISM," AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE JUDGED AND EITHER SET FREE AND PERMITTED TO REMAIN IN VIETNAM AS FULL CITIZENS, OR, IN THE CASE OF A LACK OF ADMISSION OF GUILT AND REFUSAL OF SELF-CRITICISM, THEY WILL BE "SENTENCED."



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MEMORANDUM FOR:

[redacted]  
Director, Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

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[redacted]  
Deputy Coordinator for Prisoner of War and  
Missing in Action Matters  
Department of State

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[redacted]  
Commander, USN (R)  
Chief, Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Branch  
Resources and Installations Division  
Directorate for Intelligence (Research Center)  
Defense Intelligence Agency

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FROM

: [redacted]  
Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT

: Comment by Socialist Republic of Vietnam (SRV)  
Embassy Employee [redacted] on Possibility of U.  
Prisoners Being Held by the SRV for Use in  
Negotiations on Aid from the U.S. for the SRV

Attached as of possible interest to you is a report  
resulting from information obtained from an agent source in  
early March 1977. We are giving this report no further  
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Attachment:  
Report as Stated  
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[REDACTED]  
COUNTRY: Vietnam

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DOI : Late February 1977

SUBJECT: Comment by Socialist Republic of Vietnam (SRV) Embassy Employee [REDACTED] on Possibility of U.S. Prisoners Being Held by the SRV for Use in Negotiations on Aid from the U.S. for the SRV

ACQ : (4 March 1977)

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SOURCE : [REDACTED]

1. In a private conversation at a diplomatic function in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (SRV) Embassy [REDACTED] in late February 1977, a lower echelon SRV Embassy employee commented on the visit of a U.S. delegation to Hanoi in mid-March 1977. In response to a statement on the U.S. interest in the U.S. personnel missing in action (MIA's) in Vietnam, the Embassy employee said that Hanoi naturally knows where U.S. pilots shot down over North Vietnam are buried. In response to a statement that the SRV no longer has any Americans still under detention, the Embassy employee demurred and said that there are American prisoners of war (POW's), some of whom are members of wealthy families, still in the SRV and they would not be released until U.S. financial aid for the SRV was forthcoming. [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 prisoners.)

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2. The Embassy employee indicated that the information on MIA's was one trump card the SRV held in the forthcoming negotiations with the U.S. and explained that the SRV, as the victor in the Vietnam war, would take advantage of this situation in negotiating with the U.S. for aid in economic reconstruction. He said that some wealthy prominent American families had been in direct contact with Hanoi in an effort to acquire information about family members who were MIA's.

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However, the SRV had not released such information on the assumption that more could be gained by the SRV economically by awaiting the opening of formal negotiations with the U.S. Government. [redacted] Comment: The SRV Embassy employee appeared nervous in making these comments on U.S. POW's and MIA's, as if it gradually dawned upon him that he was talking about a matter which he had no right to discuss.) [redacted] Comment: The SRV Embassy employee did not indicate the basis for the information he provided on U.S. POW's and MIA's; thus it cannot be determined whether his statements reflect reliable information or unsubstantiated hearsay.)

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

10 MAR 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR:

[REDACTED]  
Director, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

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[REDACTED]  
Deputy Coordinator for Prisoner of War  
and Missing in Action Matters  
Department of State

[REDACTED] Commander, USN (R)  
Chief, Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Branch  
Resources and Installations Division  
Directorate for Intelligence (Research Center)

[REDACTED] Captain, USN  
Principal Advisor for Prisoner of War and  
Missing in Action Affairs  
(International Security Affairs)  
Office of the Secretary of Defense

FROM

[REDACTED]  
Deputy Director for Operations

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SUBJECT

: Comments  
on American Prisoners of War Remaining in  
Vietnam

Attached as of possible interest to you is a report resulting  
from information obtained late January  
1977. We are giving this report no further dissemination.

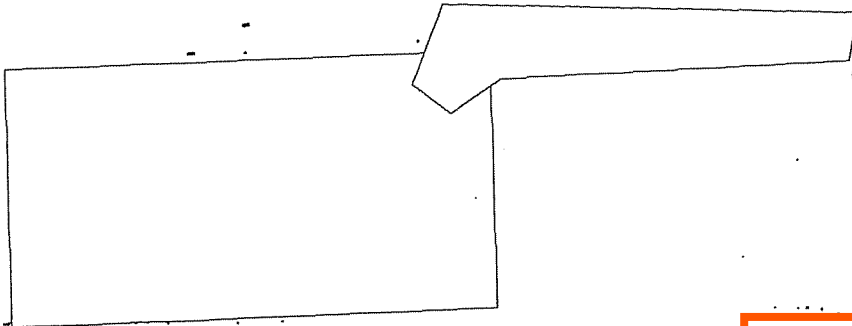


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COUNTRY: Vietnam

DOI : January 1977

SUBJECT: Comments.  
American Prisoners of War Remaining in Vietnam on

ACQ :

SOURCE :

1.

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.).

These POW's included some who did not want to return to the U.S.

2. 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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TO: DIRNSA, DEPT OF STATE, DIA, WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM,  
ZEN/CIA OFFICE OF CURRENT OPERATIONS.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DIST: 30 APRIL 1987

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: POW-MIA: ALLEGED AMERICAN POWS SEEN IN 1979 AND 1981  
BEING MOVED THROUGH BAN LONG KAT, OUDOMSAI PROVINCE

DOI: 1979 -1981

TEXT: 1. ACCORDING TO

BROUGHT FOUR AMERICAN

EXHIBIT 122

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PRISONERS TO THE VILLAGE. AND THE PRISONERS ATE A MEAL AT S. HOUSE. LEARNED FROM KHAM THAT THE FOUR AMERICANS HAD BEEN CAPTURED AT MAUNG HOUN (QC 5829), OUDOMSAI PROVINCE IN A PLANE CRASH (NFI). THE PRISONERS WERE BEING MOVED FROM PRISON AT PHON PA RAI, WHICH IS TWO KILOMETERS WEST OF BAN THIN (RC 0892), OUDOMSAI PROVINCE, ON ORDERS OF HIGHER AUTHORITIES WHO WANTED THE PRISONERS HIDDEN AND PUT INTO A RE-EDUCATION PROGRAM. SAID THAT IN 1981 HE LEARNED FROM A VILLAGER OF BAN THAM (UTM UNK) WHO CAME TO S VILLAGE TO BUY FOOD THAT TWO OF THE AMERICANS HAD DIED FROM SICKNESS AND STARVATION AND TWO WERE STILL ALIVE. THE AMERICANS WERE RAISING CHICKENS AND MAKING HANDICRAFT ITEMS AT A COVERT SITE (NFI).

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## 2. ACCORDING TO

IN OR ABOUT MARCH 1979 WHEN HE VISITED HIS HOME AT BAN LONG KAT HE SAW FOUR AMERICANS IN THE VILLAGE WHO WERE BEING GUARDED BY OUDOMSAI PROVINCIAL POLICE. THEY HAD A MEAL AT BAN LONG KAT AND LEFT IN A SOUTHEAST DIRECTION. THREE DAYS LATER THE POLICE CAME THROUGH THE VILLAGE AGAIN BUT WITHOUT THE AMERICANS.

DISSEM: FIELD: NONE.

WASHINGTON DISSEM:

TO WHSITRM: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

TO STATE: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY, INR

TO DIA: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIA

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23 September 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: John Breckenridge  
Chief, Senate Liaison Division  
Office of Congressional Affairs

VIA: Office of the Deputy Director for Operations

FROM: [REDACTED] (b)(3) CIAAct  
Chief, Indochina Operations Group

SUBJECT: Declassification of an Extract from a  
6 January 1981 Directorate of Operations  
Spot Report, "Developments Concerning Alleged  
Presence of U.S. Prisoners in Laos"

REFERENCE: 18 August 1992 verbal request by Senate Select  
Committee Investigator Mr. Robert Taylor

The declassified extract requested by Mr. Taylor is attached, for passage to him. For internal Agency use only is a copy of the entire Spot Report, which remains classified SECRET. Please pass the unclassified sheet only to Mr. Taylor.

Attachments:  
Extract  
Spot Report

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (b)(3) CIAAct

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(Concerning what appeared to be a high security detention facility capable of holding perhaps 50 POW's in a remote area to the east of Nhommarath, Laos):

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Analysis of further imagery of 30 December 1980 located what appears to be the number "52", possibly followed by the letter "K", traced on the ground in an agricultural plot inside the outer perimeter of the above facility. DIA is unable to ascribe any particular significance to the number, but "K" was given to U.S. pilots as a ground distress signal. It is thus conceivable that this represents an attempt by a prisoner to signal to any aircraft that might pass overhead.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Vice Director For Collection  
Management  
Department of Defense  
Principal Advisor For Prisoner of War  
Missing In Action Affairs  
(International Security Affairs)  
Director, Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

SUBJECT: Identification of Possible U.S. Prisoners of  
War Camp in Saravane Province, Lao People's  
Democratic Republic

1: Attached as of possible interest to you is a report obtained

refugee observed an apparent detention camp in Saravane Province, Laos, which a local village militia chief told him contained 23 American Prisoners of War.

2. This very sensitive information is for your background use only. There will be no further distribution of this report and additional dissemination or extraction of this information requires prior approval from this Agency. DIA is authorized to pass this information to the Joint Casualty Resolution Center (JCRC)

Deputy Director For Operations

cc: DCI  
DDCI  
EXEC DIR  
STATE/EAP  
DIA  
NIO/EAP  
NSA  
NSC

Attachment: Report as stated

SUBJECT: Identification of Possible U.S. Prisoner of War Camp in Saravane Province, Lao People's Democratic Republic

TEXT: 1. Circa March 1983, a militia chief claimed that there is a Prisoner of War (POW) Camp located at the foot of Ngoua Mountain (NCA), approximately 25 kilometers south of Kadon Village. According to there were 23 American prisoners of war (POW's) detained in the camp. Prior to 1975 the camp contained 25 American POW's, but two had since died. said that Kadon Village is responsible for growing food for the camp and insisted that he had personally seen the POW's on numerous occasions while escorting food convoys to the camp. added that the militia forces of Chavan Village (YB 2197) were actually responsible for security at the camp.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

2 Nov 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Vice Director for Collection Management  
Department of Defense  
Director, Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

SUBJECT: Sightings of Six Alleged U.S. Prisoners-of-War  
in a Detention Camp Near Thao La Hamlet in  
Northern Laos

1. Attached as of possible interest to you is a report about the sightings of a total of six alleged U.S. prisoners-of-war at a detention camp in a small valley of Thao La Hamlet, Houa Phan Province, in northern Laos.

Deputy Director for Operations

cc: DCI  
DDCI  
EXEC DIR  
STATE/EAP  
DIA  
NIO/EAP  
NSA

Attachment: Report as stated

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SUBJECT: Sightings of Six Alleged U.S. Prisoners-of-War in a  
Detention Camp Near Thao La Hamlet in Northern Laos

TEXT: 1. In late April 1982, [redacted] saw a total of six alleged U.S. prisoners-of-war (POW's) at a detention camp in a small valley of Thao La Hamlet, Houa Phan Province, in northern Laos (grid coordinates 20 degrees north latitude, 104 degrees east meridian). On 26 April [redacted] saw four tall Caucasians who were said to be U.S. POW's being escorted by two small Asian guards from the prisoners' house of detention to the camp office. On 27 April [redacted] saw two blacks who were also said to be U.S. POW's carrying bamboo baskets on their back being escorted up a hill by a guard to carry out their labor duties. [redacted] made the observations from a steep hill at the edge of the Thao La Valley where the detention camp was located. (b)(3) NatSecAct  
the men they had seen were U.S. POW's. He said the camp held about 50 such POW's who had recently been transferred to the camp from an unknown location.) (Headquarters Comment: Presumably the guards were Lao People's Democratic Republic (LPDR) personnel.)

2. The camp was located across the valley to the southeast of Thao La Hamlet. The house of detention was a long, thatched house with a small front yard. It stood between two smaller houses with walls made of timber; apparently the camp office and a guards' quarters. The camp was surrounded by a trench and a fence of closely posted, pointed wood poles. Thao La Hamlet had about 50 small houses located next to a creek.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Vice Director for Collection

Management  
Department of Defense  
Principal Advisor for Prisoner of War  
and Missing in Action Affairs  
(International Security Affairs)  
Office of the Secretary of Defense  
Director, Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State

SUBJECT : Alleged Sighting of Live U.S. Prisoners of  
War in the Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Attached as of possible interest to you is a report  
obtained from

Deputy Director for Operations

cc:

DCI

DDCI

Exec Dir

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Attachment: Report as stated

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POINT, HAWAII, FOR COMMANDERS ONLY).

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DIST: 23 DECEMBER 1986

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: POW-MIA: STATUS OF ALLEGED LIVE MISSING-IN-ACTION  
AMERICAN IN KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: 8 DECEMBER 1986

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TEXT: 1. ON 8 DECEMBER 1986,

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TO  
DISCUSS THE ALLEGED LIVE AMERICAN MISSING-IN-ACTION WHO WAS BEING  
HELD IN KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE. AFTER ESTABLISHED HIS BONA FIDES WITH  
BY PROVIDING HIM WITH THE SIGNATURE OF [REDACTED] GAVE [REDACTED] A  
SLIP OF PAPER WITH THE NAME "H.D. ((STEPHENSON)), [REDACTED] (b)(6)  
AND PROTESTANT" WRITTEN ON IT. ACCORDING TO STEPHENSON WAS  
SERIOUSLY ILL WITH MALARIA. THE NAPENG (WE 7720) VILLAGER CARING FOR  
STEPHENSON, ((TO)) (LNU), TOLD THAT HE HAD SOLD A PAIR OF OXEN  
VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY 4,500 BAHT, A CART AND THREE "HANGS" (PIECES  
OF SILVER BARS) TO PURCHASE INJECTION MEDICINE FOR STEPHENSON.

ABOUT 26 BAHT EQUALS U.S. \$1.00 AT THE OFFICIAL EXCHANGE  
RATE. STEPHENSON H.D. IS LISTED ON JCRC RECORDS AS AN AIR FORCE  
MAJOR, WHO WAS A CREW MEMBER ON AN AC 130 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN IN 1972  
IN LAOS AT XD 165414, WHICH IS IN THE GENERAL AREA OF NAPENG  
VILLAGE.)

2. TOLD TO HAVE SITHON COME FOR STEPHENSON IMMEDIATELY  
BECAUSE TO WAS AFRAID OF BEING TURNED IN TO THE LPDR AUTHORITIES FOR  
HARBORING HIM. CLAIMED TO HAVE GIVEN 6,000 BAHT, 4,000 OF  
WHICH WAS FOR [REDACTED]; WHICH HE RAISED BY SELLING A RELATIVE'S NECKLACE  
AND BY BORROWING FROM ACQUAINTANCES. HAD SPENT 1,500 BAHT DURING  
HIS TRIP WHICH LASTED UNTIL 12 DECEMBER.

WASHINGTON DISSEM:

TO WHSITRM:

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SITUATION ROOM

TO STATE:

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TO DIA:

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TO NSA:

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DIRECTOR, DIA AND PASS TO NWS (DIRECTOR ONLY).

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DIST: 30 OCTOBER 1986

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS/THAILAND

SUBJ: POW-MIA: ALLEGED LIVE MISSING-IN-ACTION AMERICAN  
IN KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE, LAOS;  
REMAINS OF TWO AIRMEN IN SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: LATE JUNE - OCTOBER 1986

SOURCE:

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TEXT. 1. IN LATE JUNE 1986. (

TOLD A LAO REFUGEE THAT A FELLOW VILLAGER TOLD HIM OF A LIVE AMERICAN "PRISONER OF WAR" (POW) WHO WAS LIVING IN A CAVE AND WAS BEING HIDDEN FROM THE LPDR GOVERNMENT BY NAPENG VILLAGERS. THE VILLAGERS PROVIDED PROTECTION AND GUARDED THE POW. THE POW HAD SUFFERED A BROKEN LEG IN 1972 WHEN HIS AIRCRAFT CRASHED, AND HAD BEEN TREATED BY A VILLAGER WHO STILL CONTINUED TO LOOK AFTER HIM. NAPENG VILLAGE CONSISTED OF APPROXIMATELY 80 HOUSES AND WAS COMPRISED OF INHABITANTS WHO DID NOT CLOSELY COOPERATE WITH LPDR AUTHORITIES. ACCORDING TO THE POW HAD SAID THAT IF ANY OF THE VILLAGERS COULD CARRY A MESSAGE TO THAILAND AND ARRANGE TO EFFECT HIS RESCUE, THE POW WOULD "TAKE CARE OF THE ENTIRE VILLAGE."

2. T

SAID THAT THE REMAINS OF TWO U.S. AIRMEN WERE LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF CHOMAT AND VIANG VILLAGES (POSSIBLY WD 5068) HAT CANTON, PHIN DISTRICT, SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE. TOLD THE REFUGEE THAT THE REMAINS COULD BE RECOVERED BUT THAT IT WOULD COST MONEY TO EXCAVATE THE SITE AND TO HOLD A CEREMONY FOR THE "SPIRITS" (PHI) BY THE VILLAGERS WHO OWNED THE SITE. SAID THAT IT WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY 25,000 KIP PER SET OF REMAINS. 35 KIP EQUALS U.S. \$1.00 AT THE OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE.) CLAIMED TO HAVE VISITED THE SITE.

3. IN SEPTEMBER, THE REFUGEE SAID THAT HE HAD PROVIDED WITH 3,000 THAI BAHT TO GO AND GET THE REMAINS. ABOUT 26 BAHT EQUALS U.S. \$1.00 AT THE CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE.) THE REFUGEE CLAIMED THAT HIS BROTHER TOLD HIM THAT ONE SET OF REMAINS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO PAKSEBANGFAI (VD 7373) VILLAGE ON 12 OCTOBER. THE REFUGEE SAID THAT HIS BROTHERS WERE THE VILLAGE CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF OF MILITIA. THE REFUGEE SAID THAT HE PLANNED TO CROSS BACK INTO LAOS TO RETRIEVE THE REMAINS.

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THE JOINT CASUALTY RESOLUTION CENTERS IN BANGKOK AND BARBERS  
POINT, HAWAII, FOR COMMANDERS ONLY).

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DIST: 24 OCTOBER 1986

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS/VIETNAM

SUBJ: ALLEGED LOCATION OF LIVE AMERICAN POWS IN LUANG  
PRABANG PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: MID 1986

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. ACCORDING TO A LAO RESIDENT WHO DROVE A SUPPLY TRUCK AND  
REPORTEDLY SAW THE POWS, THERE WERE SEVEN AMERICAN POW'S AS OF MID-  
1986 BEING DETAINED AT A CAMP NEAR NAM BAC (TH 3683) TOWN, OUDOMSAI  
DISTRICT, LUANG PRABANG PROVINCE, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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(LEDR) THE PRESENCE OF AMERICAN POWS IN THIS  
GENERAL AREA WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

FORMER REEDUCATION CAMP INMATES FROM LUANG PRABANG PROVINCE, WHO FLED TO THAILAND IN 1986, HAVE REPORTED A REEDUCATION CAMP AT NAM BAC. THE CAMP WAS EMPTIED OF REEDUCATION INMATES ABOUT 1980 AND THE CAMP WAS OCCUPIED BY PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM (PAVN) TROOPS.) SIX OF THE AMERICANS WERE HISPANICS AND ONE WAS A CAUCASIAN AMERICAN NAMED ((LINGER)) (PHONETIC). THERE HAD BEEN 12 AMERICAN POWS AT THE SITE BUT IN 1985 FIVE OF THE AMERICANS POWS WERE MOVED TO THE SOVIET UNION. ALL OF THE AMERICAN POWS HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN 1968 WHILE WORKING AT THE NAM BAC CAMP. NAM BAC WAS THE SITE OF AN AIRFIELD DURING THE INDOCHINA WAR. NO AMERICANS WERE STATIONED THERE, BUT SOME AMERICAN PERSONNEL VISITED THERE OCCASIONALLY. NONE OF THEM WERE LOST.) THE CAMP WAS OVERRUN BY THE ENEMY AND THE AMERICANS WERE CAPTURED. IN ADDITION TO THE AMERICANS, THERE WERE 30 FORMER SOUTH VIETNAMESE PRISONERS AT THE CAMP.

2. THE PRISON CAMP WAS SURROUNDED BY A DOUBLE FENCE. THE INTERNAL AREA WAS FENCED WITH BAMBOO WHILE THE EXTERNAL AREA WAS FENCED WITH NINE WALLS OF BARBED WIRE, EACH ABOUT 170 CENTIMETERS IN HEIGHT. THERE WERE ABOUT SIX TO EIGHT BUILDINGS FOR PRISONERS IN THE INTERNAL AREA. EACH PRISONER BUILDING WAS ABOUT 50X10 METERS IN SIZE, BUILT OF CEMENT WITH CORRUGATED-SHEET METAL ROOFING. THE TOTAL INTERNAL AREA WAS ABOUT 3 RAI IN SIZE. (FIELD COMMENT: 2.5 RAI EQUALS ABOUT ONE ACRE.)

3. THE AMERICAN POWS WERE GUARDED BY LAO PEOPLE'S ARMY (LPA) SOLDIERS AND HAD BEEN WORKING AS CONSTRUCTION FOREMEN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DISPENSARY AND LIVING QUARTERS BUILDING LOCATED ACROSS ROUTE SIX FROM THE CAMP WHICH WAS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ROUTE SIX. A PAVN SECURITY UNIT WAS LOCATED NEAR THE DISPENSARY/LIVING QUARTERS AREA AND A PAVN CHECKPOINT WAS LOCATED AT MUANG NGOY (TH 5891). THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE POWS HAD BEEN SERVING AS CONSTRUCTION WORKERS FOR THE PROJECT. THESE TWO BUILDINGS WERE COMPLETED IN 1985. THE PRISONERS WERE GUARDED BY LPA SOLDIERS WHEN THEY WORKED OUTSIDE THE CAMP, BUT WERE ALLOWED TO SPEAK WITH LOCAL VILLAGERS.

4. THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF THE POWS WERE TERRIBLE. THEY WERE GIVEN MILLED BUT UNPOLISHED RICE TO EAT WHICH WAS SOMETIMES SUPPLEMENTED BY WHEAT OR BARLEY FROM CUBA. THE POWS WERE IN BAD HEALTH DUE TO MALNUTRITION.



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DIST: 20 SEPTEMBER 1986

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS/THAILAND/VIETNAM

SUBJ: POW/MIA: ALLEGED RELOCATION IN JUNE 1986 OF 226 AMERICAN  
 PRISONERS OF WAR TO SONGHON DISTRICT, SAVANNAKHET  
 PROVINCE, LAOS FROM VIETNAM

DOI: JUNE 1986

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1.

SAID THAT HE HAD OBTAINED THE ALLEGED REMAINS FROM ((NGAM)) (LNU), AN  
 INHABITANT OF NONG CHIK (WC 449862) VILLAGE, SONGHON DISTRICT,  
 SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE, LAOS. ACCORDING TO DISCOVERED THE  
 REMAINS OF THREE SERVICEMEN AT A CRASH SITE LOCATED IN THE JUNGLE AT  
 WC 442864. HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN ON 30  
 AUGUST. (THE REASON FOR THE SECOND MEETING WAS NOT SPECIFIED, BUT MAY  
 HAVE BEEN TO DISCUSS THE SALE OF THE BALANCE OF THE MIA REMAINS.)

FURTHER SAID THAT 226 U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR (POW'S) WERE  
 ALIVE AND BEING HELD IN LAOS. SAID THAT HE LEARNED ABOUT THE  
 POW'S FROM CLAIMED THAT HIS ELDER BROTHER  
 WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNIT GUARDING THE PRISONERS.  
 SAID THAT THE POW'S HAD BEEN RELOCATED INTO LAOS FROM VIETNAM

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CIRCA JUNE 1986, SAID HE HAD ASKED TO OBTAIN NAMES AND SIGNATURES OF THE POW'S FROM WHICH PLANNED TO SEND TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. SAID THAT HE, AND HAD TRAVELED TO A POINT LOCATED ABOUT 20 KILOMETERS (KMS) DISTANT FROM SEPONE (XD 3244) DISTRICT ALONG ROUTE NINE IN THE DIRECTION OF VIETNAM. SAID THAT WHEN THEY ARRIVED AT THE POINT ALONG ROUTE

NINE, LEFT THE ROAD ON FOOT TRAVELING TO THE SOUTH. SAID THAT HE WAS DIRECTED TO WAIT AT THE ROAD. RETURNED TO ROUTE NINE AFTER ABOUT FOUR HOURS AND CLAIMED TO HAVE PERSONALLY SIGHTED THE POWS, BUT SAID HE WAS UNABLE TO "DO ANYTHING" BECAUSE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF LAO PEOPLE'S ARMY (LPA) SECURITY FORCES AT THE "INNER AREA" AND THE PRESENCE OF PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM (PAVN) SOLDIERS AT THE "OUTER AREA" WITHIN A TEN KM RADIUS OF THE CAMP. TOLD THAT PLEDGED TO RESCUE THE POWS WHEN OPPORTUNITY PERMITTED.

3. SOURCE HAD INVOLVED THEMSELVES WITH THE ALLEGED POWS IN EXPECTATION OF RECEIVING A REWARD AND RESETTLEMENT IN THE U.S. THI'S ATTITUDE CONCERNING THE POW'S WAS ONE OF CONFIDENCE THAT THE STORY WAS TRUE. THE PERIOD WHEN THE ALLEGED POW'S WERE MOVED INTO LAOS COINCIDED WITH THE MUTUAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN VIETNAM AND THE U.S. ON POW/MIA MATTERS.)

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TO WHSITRM:

EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE  
SITUATION ROOM.

TO STATE:

EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, INR.

TO DIA:

EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIA.

TO NSA:

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ZEN/CTA OFFICE OF CURRENT OPERATIONS.

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THE DIRECTOR, DIA AND PASS TO NWS (DIRECTOR ONLY).

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DIST: 16 SEPTEMBER 1986

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COUNTRY: LAOS/VIETNAM

SUBJ: ALLEGED DETENTION OF SIX PRISONERS OF WAR IN  
XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: MARCH 1986

SOURCE:

TEXT: 1. AS OF EARLY MARCH 1986,

, TOLD A MEMBER OF THE LAO RESISTANCE AND FORMER DETENTION CAMP  
INMATE THAT A GROUP OF SIX AMERICAN PRISONERS-OF-WAR (POWS) WERE  
STILL INCARCERATED AT A CAMP LOCATED AT THAM PHA LEUNG (NCA) CAVE  
NEAR PHOU SAO (UG 3918) VILLAGE, XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE. THERE WERE  
SEVEN LPA SOLDIERS SERVING AS GUARDS AT THE CAVE AND ONE NURSE WAS  
ALSO ASSIGNED TO THE CAVE. ONE COMBINED BATTALION-SIZED LPA AND  
PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM FORCE WAS DEPLOYED ALONG ROUTE 5 THROUGH LAT  
HOUANG (NCA) TO LAT SEN (NCA), CONTROLLING ACCESS TO THE AREA.  
ANOTHER LPA "SPECIAL FORCE" COMPANY COMPRISING 60 SOLDIERS COMMANDED

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BY [REDACTED] WAS DEPLOYED ABOUT TEN KILOMETERS DISTANT FROM THE CAVE. THE GENERAL AREA WHERE THE CAVE WAS LOCATED, NEAR THE JOINT SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) AND LPDR BORDER, WAS A VACATION AREA FOR LEADERS OF THE THREE "INDOCHINESE" COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS AN INFORMATION CENTER FOR THE INDOCHINESE COUNTRIES.

2.

ORIGINALLY TOLD OF THE SIX POWS BY

HAD BEEN

IN 1977, THAT HE HAD TRAVELED TO XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE THE POW CASE AT THAM PHA LEUNG CAVE. ACCORDING TO THE SIX AMERICAN POWS AND TWO ROYAL LAO ARMY (FAR) T-28 PILOTS HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND DETAINED AT THE CAVE. AFTER THE PATHET LAO HAD SUCCEEDED IN "LIBERATING" LAOS AND THE PEACE AGREEMENTS SIGNED, THE POW GROUP WAS TRANSFERRED TO LONG (UG 3512) VILLAGE, HOUA GNON CANTON, PEK (UG 1251) DISTRICT, XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE. THE POWS WERE USED AS LABORERS TO PLANT CROPS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE SEVEN LPA SOLDIERS AND THE NURSE.

ACQ: (10 SEPTEMBER 1986).

WASHINGTON DISSEM:

TO WHSITRM:

EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR,  
WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM.

TO STATE:

EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, INR.

TO DIA:

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TO NSA:

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DIST: 16 SEPTEMBER 1986

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: ALLEGED SIGHTING OF FOUR AMERICAN POWS IN XIENG  
KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAOS IN 1983

DOI: NOVEMBER 1983

SOURCE

TEXT: 1. IN MID-SEPTEMBER 1986, [REDACTED] REPORTED THAT HER BROTHER HAD SEEN FOUR AMERICAN PRISONERS-OF-WAR (POWS) IN NOVEMBER 1983 IN XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAOS. THE BROTHER THAT HE WAS A DRIVER WITH A TEN-TRUCK CONVOY TRAVELING FROM XIENG KHOUANG TO SALA PHOU KHOUN (TG 3051) IN NOVEMBER 1983. THE CONVOY PROBABLY TRAVELED ON ROUTE SEVEN.) ONE OF THE TRUCKS HAD MECHANICAL PROBLEMS AND THE CONVOY HALTED ON THE ROAD ABOUT 50 KILOMETERS FROM XIENG KHOUANG. ONE OF THE DRIVERS WENT INTO BUSHES OFF THE ROAD TO RELIEVE HIMSELF. HE WAS APPROACHED BY AN UNNAMED LAO MAN WHO STATED THAT HE WAS PART OF A GROUP WHICH HAD ESCAPED FROM A PRISON CAMP AND ASKED FOR ASSISTANCE. THE DRIVER RETURNED TO THE CONVOY AND TOLD THE MERCHANT'S BROTHER WHO WENT TO MEET THE ESCAPEE. THE ESCAPEE TOOK THE BROTHER TO MEET THE OTHER MEN IN THE ESCAPEE GROUP, WHICH INCLUDED THREE FORMER ROYAL LAO ARMY (FAR) GENERALS, FOURTEEN OTHER FAR SOLDIERS AND FOUR CAUCASIAN MALES, WHICH THE BROTHER BELIEVED TO BE AMERICAN POWS. THE BROTHER WAS TOLD THAT THE FOUR CAUCASIANS HAD BEEN CAPTURED AT SOM THONG (TG 7924) NEAR THE FORMER AMERICAN SUPPORTED BASE AT LONG THIENG (TG 8313). THE DATE OF CAPTURE WAS NOT STATED.

2. THE BROTHER RECOGNIZED ONE OF THE ESCAPEES AS A FORMER FAR (FORCE ARMEE ROYALE) PILOT WHO WAS A FRIEND OF THE BROTHER. THE MERCHANT'S BROTHER WAS ASKED TO HIDE THE ESCAPEES ON THE TRUCK CONVOY AND TRANSPORT THEM TO SAFETY. THE BROTHER STATED THAT HE TOLD THE MEN THAT THERE WERE TOO MANY OF THEM AND THAT IT WAS TOO DANGEROUS TO TAKE THEM WITH THE CONVOY. INSTEAD THE BROTHER TOOK ONLY THE PILOT/FRIEND. 7. [REDACTED] AT HER BROTHER IMPLIED THAT THE FORMER

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PILOT HAD EVENTUALLY ESCAPED AND WAS SAFE IN ANOTHER COUNTRY.  
WAS UNABLE TO REMEMBER ANY OTHER DETAILS OF THE STORY.

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SITUATION ROOM  
TO STATE: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, INR  
TO DIA: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIA  
TO NSA: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, NSA

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SUBJECT : Reported Detention of 16 Americans in Laos

TEXT: 1. On 22 July 1985, a -- information report with the above heading and numbered -- was issued. The source reported the following additional information, based on further discussion with the subsorce in early August 1986.

2. The American POW detention camp is at Doi Nang Lio, also known as Tham Mae Mai (Widow's Cave), which is in the area of Muang Ngoy (TH 585915). There is a road linking Oudomsai via Tasseng Phra That to Tasseng Don Lao of Muang Ngoy. This is a new road built by the Vietnamese in 1984 with a length of 36 kilometers. The road circles around Muang Ngoy District office and merges with the main road to Muang Na Mo. Muang Ngoy has six (sic) Tassengs: Ngoy, Nam Lat, Ban Mo, Nong Sing, and Don Lao, which is where the POW camp is located.

3. Headquarters Comment: No coordinates were given for the above locations.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Vice Director for Collection Management  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Principal Advisor for Prisoner of War  
Missing in Action Affairs  
(International Security Affairs)  
Department of Defense  
Director, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia  
Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs  
Department of State  
Office of the Assistant to the President for  
National Security Affairs  
National Security Council  
Director, National Security Agency

SUBJECT : Reported Detention of 16 Americans in Laos

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Deputy Director for Operations

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Attachment: Report as Stated

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SUBJECT : Reported Detention of 16 Americans in Laos

TEXT: According to [redacted] who claimed (b)(3) NatSecAct to have visited the site, as of April 1986, there was a detention camp containing 12 male and four female American prisoners located at Ban Don Lae (near TB 5085), Ngoy District, Luang Prabang Province, Laos. [redacted] said the prisoners were being held in a cave that was used by the Pathet Lao and Vietnamese during the Indochina War years. Eight Vietnamese and 14 Lao ran the detention camp. There were three trucks assigned to the camp which were used to take the prisoners outside the camp to work everyday. [redacted] said eight of the prisoners worked repairing engines and four taught engine repair to the Lao. The four females worked as nurses. The workday was 0800 hours to 1800 hours daily. The LPA soldier claimed that the Americans had been in Laos since before the communists took over the country. The LPA soldier said the Americans were confined in harsh conditions even though they had worked hard while in captivity. (b)(3) NatSecAct

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TO: DIRNSA, DEPT OF STATE, DIA, WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM,  
ZEN/CIA OFFICE OF CURRENT OPERATIONS.

PASS: EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM;  
NSA FOR ZKZK 00 ZRL DE (EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, NSA);  
STATE EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR, INR; DIA EXCLUSIVE FOR  
THE DIRECTOR, DIA AND PASS TO NWS (DIRECTOR ONLY).

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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DIST: 16 SEPTEMBER 1986.

EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT

COUNTRY: LAOS/VIETNAM

SUBJ: ALLEGED DETENTION OF SIX PRISONERS OF WAR IN  
XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: MARCH 1986

SOURCE: P

TEXT: 1. AS OF EARLY MARCH 1986,

TOLD A MEMBER OF THE LAO RESISTANCE AND FORMER DETENTION CAMP INMATE THAT A GROUP OF SIX AMERICAN PRISONERS-OF-WAR (POWS) WERE STILL INCARCERATED AT A CAMP LOCATED AT THAM PHA LEUNG (NCA) CAVE NEAR PHOU SAO (UG 3918) VILLAGE, XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE. THERE WERE SEVEN LPA SOLDIERS SERVING AS GUARDS AT THE CAVE AND ONE NURSE WAS ALSO ASSIGNED TO THE CAVE. ONE COMBINED BATTALION-SIZED LPA AND PEOPLE'S ARMY OF VIETNAM FORCE WAS DEPLOYED ALONG ROUTE 5 THROUGH LAT HOUANG (NCA) TO LAT SEN (NCA), CONTROLLING ACCESS TO THE AREA. ANOTHER LPA "SPECIAL FORCE" COMPANY COMPRISING 60 SOLDIERS COMMANDED BY CAPTAIN ((THIEP)) SOUTHDET, WAS DEPLOYED ABOUT TEN KILOMETERS DISTANT FROM THE CAVE. THE GENERAL AREA WHERE THE CAVE WAS LOCATED, NEAR THE JOINT SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) AND LPDR BORDER, WAS A VACATION AREA FOR LEADERS OF THE THREE "INDOCHINESE" COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS AN INFORMATION CENTER FOR THE INDOCHINESE COUNTRIES.

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HE HAD TRAVELED TO XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE THE POW CASE AT THAM PHA LEUNG CAVE. ACCORDING TO THE SIX AMERICAN POWS AND TWO ROYAL LAO ARMY (FAR) T-28 PILOTS HAD BEEN ARRESTED AND DETAINED AT THE CAVE. AFTER THE PATHET LAO HAD SUCCEEDED IN "LIBERATING" LAOS AND THE PEACE AGREEMENTS SIGNED, THE POW GROUP WAS TRANSFERRED TO LONG (UG 3512) VILLAGE, HOUA GNON CANTON, PEK (UG 1251) DISTRICT, XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE. THE POWS WERE USED AS LABORERS TO PLANT CROPS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE SEVEN LPA SOLDIERS AND THE NURSE.

ACQ: (10 SEPTEMBER 1986).

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TO DIA:  
TO NSA:EXCLUSIVE FOR THE DIRECTOR,  
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EXCLUSIVE DISSEMINATION TO ADDRESSEES LISTED AT END OF REPORT  
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COUNTRY: LAOS

SUBJ: POW/MIA: ALLEGED AMERICAN REPORTEDLY BEING CARED FOR  
BY HMONG IN EARLY 1987 AT SALEO VILLAGE, SAVANNAKHET  
PROVINCE, LAOS

DOI: EARLY MARCH 1987

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ADDENDUM  
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1. ON 8 APRIL 1987 A [ ] INFORMATION REPORT WITH THE (b)(3) NatSecAct  
ABOVE HEADING AND NUMBER WAS ISSUED. THE DEBRIEFING OF,  
ON 14 APRIL REVEALED THAT ON 5 AND 6 APRIL 1987,  
TRAVELED TO SALEO (NCA) VILLAGE,  
SALEO CANTON, SAMOI (XD 9416) DISTRICT, SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE,  
LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (LPDR), TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN

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FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE AMERICAN WHO WAS ALLEGEDLY STAYING NEAR THE VIETNAM BORDER. SALEO VILLAGE CONSISTED OF SIX HOUSES AND APPROXIMATELY 30-40 INHABITANTS.

ACCOMPANIED ON THE TRIP. CLAIMED TO HAVE PERSONALLY SIGHTED TWO LIVE AMERICANS BEING HELD BY LOCAL HILLTRIBES, BUT SAID THAT HE WAS NOT ALLOWED CLOSER THAN 100 METERS FROM THE AMERICANS. SAID THAT THE HILLTRIBE CARETAKER DEMANDED A PAYMENT OF 500 OF THE "OLD FRENCH SILVER COINS" BEFORE HE WOULD BE ALLOWED TO APPROACH THE AMERICANS.

COMMENT: THE FRENCH COINS ARE VALUED AT 2,800 KIP EACH AND ARE HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER BECAUSE OF THEIR HIGH SILVER CONTENT. THE COINS ARE AVAILABLE FROM PRIVATE SHOPS IN LAOS. U.S.\$1.00 EQUALS 35 KIP AT THE OFFICIAL RATE OF EXCHANGE AND MORE THAN 400 KIP AT THE CURRENT BLACK MARKET RATE.)

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2. SAID THAT THE TWO AMERICANS WERE DRESSED IN LOCAL VILLAGE COSTUMES. ALSO CLAIMED TO HAVE LEARNED THAT ONE OF THE AMERICANS HAD MARRIED A LOCAL VILLAGER AND HAD TWO SONS, A FIVE-YEAR-OLD AND A THREE-YEAR-OLD. THE AMERICAN HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN KEPT SINCE THE "LAM SON 917 OPERATIONS." THE LAM SON 917 OPERATIONS WERE SUPPRESSION OPERATIONS DESIGNED TO CLOSE THE HO CHI MINH TRAIL DURING THE VIETNAM WAR.)

3. IN HAND DRAWN SKETCHES OF THE AREA MADE BY SALEO VILLAGE APPEARS TO BE IN THE VICINITY OF XD 5570, LOCATED NEAR THE TIGER CAVE (THAM SUA) AND THE HOUAI NAMSE STREAM. THE VILLAGE IS LOCATED ON THE WEST BANK OF THE STREAM AND THE LOCATION WHERE THE AMERICANS WERE ALLEGEDLY BEING KEPT WAS ON THE EAST BANK. IN THE SKETCH MAP INDICATED THAT IT IS ABOUT ONE DAYS WALK FROM SALEO VILLAGE TO SAMOI DISTRICT TOWN AND ANOTHER ONE-HALF DAYS WALK (BASED ON APPARENT DISTANCE ONLY) TO TA-OY, THE LOCATION OF OTHER REPORTED STORIES OF AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR. DONG VILLAGE (XD 5138) IS LOCATED ON THE OTHER SIDE OF TA-OY VILLAGE FROM SAMOI TOWN. DONG VILLAGE WAS THE SITE OF AN LPDR REEDUCATION CAMP; HOWEVER, NO RUMORS OF AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THE CAMP.)

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TO: DIA//PW-MIA (COL JOE SCHLATTER).

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SECRET NOFORN WINTEL RODCA COMMUNICATION-DOD HANDLE AS RODCA  
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SUBJECT: DOG TAG AND LIVE SIGHTING IN LAOS

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS

THE  
OBTAINED THE INFORMATION FROM ONE OF 40 RECENTLY ARRIVED  
VIETNAMESE BOAT REFUGEES WHO ARE NOW INCARCERATED AT THE THA LUAN  
POLICE COMPOUND. THE INFORMATION HAS BEEN PASSED TO JCRC AND STONY  
BEACH AND NOW IS BEING SENT FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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2. A VIETNAMESE BOAT REFUGEE IN TRAT PROVINCE PASSED A COPY OF  
A DOG TAG RUBBING TO A THAI OFFICIAL. THE DOG TAG IS THAT OF: FRED  
L. SMITH JR, AF [REDACTED] METHODIST. A HANDWRITTEN NOTE, IN  
VIETNAMESE, WITH THE RUBBING STATES THAT SMITH IS AN AMERICAN  
CAPTAIN AND A HELICOPTER PILOT. SMITH WAS REPORTEDLY SHOT DOWN AT  
KONTUM DISTRICT IN MARCH 1972 AND HIS BODY BURIED IN GIA LAI -  
KONTUM PROVINCE.

3. ON 03 OCTOBER 1989, A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM A SOURCE OF  
UNDETERMINED RELIABILITY WHICH CONTAINED THE POW RELATED INFORMATION  
DESCRIBED BELOW. THE LETTER CONTAINED INFORMATION FROM A FORMER LAO  
PEOPLE'S ARMY FIRST LIEUTENANT KHAMPHOU DOUANGMANYCHAN, WHO RESIDES  
IN XIENG KHOUANG PROVINCE. THE DATE AND PLACE OF THE SOURCE'S  
MEETING WITH KHAMPHOU WAS NOT INDICATED IN THE LETTER. A GIST OF  
THE LETTER WAS TO BE PASSED TO STONY BEACH.

4. ON 03 OCTOBER 1989, OUR [REDACTED] OFFICE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING  
POW/MIA RELATED INFORMATION FROM A SOURCE OF UNDETERMINED  
RELIABILITY. THE SOURCE CLAIMS HE OBTAINED THE FOLLOWING  
INFORMATION.

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... TOLD THE SOURCE THAT THERE ARE 14 AMERICAN POW'S BEING HELD  
AT THAM LUANG, NACHIK CANTON IN THE VIENGXAI DISTRICT (VH2949) OF  
HOUAPHAN PROVINCE. "THAM LUANG" IS THE FORMER RESIDENCE OF PRINCE  
SOUPHANOUVONG, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE. SAID THAT THAM  
LUANG IS LOCATED ONE KILOMETER EAST OF BANCHIK, WHICH IS 17  
KILOMETERS EAST OF THE VIENGXAI MUNICIPALITY. SAID THAT  
THE 14 AMERICAN POW'S ARE GUARDED BY A 26-MAN POLICE COMPANY  
COMMANDED BY A POLICE LIEUTENANT SITHA. SAID THE POW'S  
GROW RICE AND VEGETABLES FOR A LIVING BUT THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO  
WEAR SHOES. ALSO ACCORDING TO ... THERE ARE THREE ADDITIONAL  
POW'S BEING HELD AT AN AIR BASE IN MAUNG HAM (UH9647). THESE THREE  
POW'S ARE REPORTEDLY BEING USED TO TEACH ENGLISH TO LAOSI SOLDIERS  
AND HOW THE LATTER ARE TO USE AN AIR SIGNAL SYSTEM. SAID  
THERE ARE FOUR MIG-21'S LOCATED AT THE SAME AIRBASE. NO FURTHER  
INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

5. NOT RELEASABLE TO FOREIGN NATIONALS.

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TO: DIA WASHINGTON DC//PW-MIA/ATTN COL JOE SCHLATTER.

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(b)(3) NatSecAct SUBJECT: CLAIMED SIGHTING OF U.S. POW AT MINE IN LAOS

IN A CASUAL CONVERSATION IN TAIWAN ON 21 DECEMBER 1989. A

CLAIMED TO HAVE SEEN A U.S. PRISONER OF WAR (POW) DURING A TRIP TO LAOS IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1989. DURING THAT PERIOD WHEN WAS IN VIENTIANE DISCUSSING MINERAL PURCHASES, HE WAS TAKEN ON A TWO OR THREE DAY TRIP THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS TO A MINING CAMP, PARTLY BY VEHICLE AND PARTLY ON FOOT. SINCE HE WAS BLINDFOLDED DURING PORTIONS OF THE TRIP, WHEN HE ARRIVED HE DID NOT KNOW EXACTLY WHERE HE WAS. AT THE MINE THERE WERE ABOUT SIX GUARDS AND A BEARDED MALE CAUCASIAN. CLAIMED TO HAVE SPOKEN WITH EITHER THE CAUCASIAN PRISONER DIRECTLY OR A GUARD, WHO CONFIRMED THAT THE CAUCASIAN WAS AN AMERICAN. SAID THAT THE U.S. POW HAD BEARD, WAS GAUNT BUT NOT SICKLY, AND HAD GONE NATIVE BECAUSE HE HAD A LOCAL WIFE. SAID THAT IF CONDITIONS WERE RIGHT HE MIGHT GO BACK TO THE MINING AREA IN LAOS, BUT THAT HE WOULD RETURN TO TAIWAN FOR THE CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR (27 JANUARY 1990).

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2. IN NOVEMBER 1989 ON A VISIT TO BANGKOK, PROVIDED A SIMILAR ACCOUNT ABOUT THIS U.S. POW, WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT HE DID NOT CLAIM TO HAVE SEEN THE POW. THE PERSON MAKING THE ACTUAL SIGHTING WAS

CLAIMED TO HAVE INFORMATION ON U.S. AIR FORCE CRASH SITES, WHICH HE OBTAINED FROM TRIBESMEN OR OTHER UPCOUNTRY CONTACTS. BECAUSE AND HIS CONTACTS HAD HEARD OF A ONE MILLION DOLLAR REWARD FOR POW INFORMATION, THEY WERE ANXIOUS TO GIVE THIS INFORMATION TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE AUTHORITIES OF THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC. TO BACK UP HIS CLAIM TO HAVE INFORMATION ON U.S. POW'S AND PERSONNEL MISSING IN ACTION (MIA), A SHEET WITH INFORMATION COPIED FROM EITHER AN IDENTIFICATION CARD OR DOG TAGS AS FOLLOWS: JAMES BLAIR WHITE, DOB 14 MARCH 1942, RANK-CAPTAIN; AIRMAN RALPH W. MAGEE; AND AIRMAN GLENN MATTESON.

3. THE INFORMATION IN PARAGRAPH 2 WAS RELAYED TO JCRC IN BANGKOK, AND IF THE LATTER WERE INTERESTED AN INTRODUCTION TO IT COULD BE MADE. STATION STILL HAS THE SHEET DESCRIBED ABOVE. SINCE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO RETURN IT TO

4. NOT RELEASABLE TO FOREIGN NATIONALS.

5. CLASSIFIED BY SIGNER. ~~NOFORN~~ WNTTEL RODCA.

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TO: DIA//PW-MIA (WARREN GRAY).

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SUBJECT: REPORT OF POW'S IN LAOS

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH HAS BEEN PASSED TO STONY  
BEACH, HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM2. ACCORDING TO TWO AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR  
(POW'S) ARE NOW BEING HELD CAPTIVE IN A LEU VILLAGE IN XIANG KHOANG  
PROVINCE NEAR THE VIETNAMESE BORDER. THEY ARE BEING HELD AND  
GUARDED BY A LOCAL VILLAGE MILITIA GROUP; THE LAO AUTHORITIES AND  
THE LAO ARMY APPARENTLY DO NOT KNOW OF THEIR PRESENCE. THE POW'S  
HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY AS ((STOWERS)) AND ((LATONA)).3. ONE OF THE TWO AMERICANS IS MARRIED TO A LEU WOMAN AND THEY  
NOW HAVE THREE CHILDREN. ONE WAS INJURED WHEN HIS PLANE CRASHED  
DURING THE WAR AND HE SUBSEQUENTLY LOST AN ARM. BOTH ARE LIVING  
MISERABLY AND WANT TO ESCAPE. THE VILLAGE IN WHICH THEY ARE HELD IS  
ENTIRELY ETHNIC LEU, LOCATED IN A REMOTE AREA.4. IS AWARE OF THE AMERICANS' PRESENCE DUE TO THE  
FACT THAT FRIENDS OF HIS HAVE VISITED THE VILLAGE. SINCE WORD OF A  
TWO MILLION DOHAR BEHADD FOR RETURN OF U.S. POW'S HAS SPREAD. THE  
VILLAGERS AND ALL WANT A PIECE OF THE ACTION.  
SAYS THAT HE CAN BRING THE TWO POW'S TO THE THAI BORDER IF HE CAN  
REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH RESPONSIBLE U.S. REPRESENTATIVES.5. STATED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE TWO LIVE POW'S,  
THIS VILLAGE ALSO HAS THE REMAINS OF 17 AMERICAN MISSING IN ACTION  
(MIA). THE VILLAGERS WANT TO TURN OVER THE REMAINS FOR A REWARD AS  
WELL. PROVIDED A SOMEWHAT LEGIBLE LIST OF SOME OF THOSE  
17 AMERICANS. FOLLOWING ARE THOSE ON THE LIST WHOSE NAMES ARE  
LEGIBLE ENOUGH FOR US TO REPRINT HERE:

- SHELL, L.

USMC S

BAPTIST

- MARSHALL, T., III

USMC

BAPTIST

- GILBERT, FRANCIS G.

- SIMS

USMC M

METHODIST

- SHIRLEY, MARSHALL J.

CATHOLIC

- POLSTON, H.D.

USMC

BAPTIST

- MACIEJEWSKI, R.C.

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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON POW/MIA'S IN INDOCHINA

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON PRISONERS OF WAR (POW)/MISSING  
IN ACTION (MIA) PERSONNEL IN INDOCHINA WAS OBTAINED IN LATE 1988 AND  
JANUARY 1989 AND WAS PASSED AT THAT TIME TO JCRC AND THE STONY BEACH  
TEAM. IT IS BEING SENT TO YOU FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

2. ON 22 DECEMBER 1988 A DEBRIEFING WAS CONDUCTED OF A  
WHO HAS WORKED BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND  
VIETNAM AND WHO HAS PROVIDED A HEARSAY REPORT ON AMERICANS BEING  
HELD IN A PRISON IN TAY NINH PROVINCE. STATED THAT IN LATE  
SEPTEMBER 1988 HE VISITED WITH HIS

REPORTED THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE AMERICANS

WORKED AT THE  
PRISON WHERE TEN AMERICANS WERE REPORTEDLY BEING HELD. THE  
AMERICANS WERE REPORTEDLY INCARCERATED IN A PRISON IN DANANG BEFORE  
BEING BROUGHT TO TAY NINH IN AN UNKNOWN TIMEFRAME. THE EXACT  
LOCATION OF THE PRISON WAS NOT KNOWN.

3. IN A DEBRIEFING ON 7 OCTOBER 1988,  
AN ETHNIC KHMER NOW LIVING IN  
REPORTED SEEING AN AMERICAN IN THE BACH DANG PRISON,  
SAIGON, BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND DECEMBER 1984.

IN SEPTEMBER 1984 WHEN HE SAW THE AMERICAN  
AND AN AUSTRALIAN INCARCERATED THERE. THE AMERICAN WAS WHITE, ABOUT  
180 CENTIMETERS TALL AND THIN (60 TO 70 KG). HE WORE GLASSES AND  
WAS OVER 30 YEARS OF AGE. LEARNED THAT THE AMERICAN HAD BEEN IN  
BACH DANG PRISON SINCE ABOUT MARCH 1984. IT

AND SOME VIETNAMESE. HE WAS TO HAVE BEEN DEBRIEFED BY STONY BEACH ON  
19 DECEMBER 1988.)

4. THE NAMES BELOW ARE OF ALLEGED POW/MIA'S:

JAMES L. PHILLIPS, JR. ALLEN K. BURGESS FRED L. SMITH

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METHODIST

METHODIST

METHODIST

TERRENCE L. TAYLOR GEORGE T. MURRAY WOODROW W. KEMP, JR.

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METHODIST

CATHOLIC

PROTESTANT

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5. IN EARLY DECEMBER 1988 AN ETHNIC CHINESE-KHMER  
TURNED OVER THE FOLLOWING NAMES AND  
ACCOMPANYING BONE FRAGMENTS TO

A. THREE DOG TAG RUBBINGS, ONE HANDWRITTEN PAPER PLUS BONE FRAGMENT  
ON RANDY R. SIMPSON, FR. [REDACTED] (DIFFICULT TO READ), [REDACTED]  
NONE

B. DOG TAG RUBBINGS AND BONE FRAGMENTS ON GEORGE VARGAS, RA  
[REDACTED] CATHOLIC

C. DOG TAG RUBBING, HANDWRITTEN PAPER PLUS BONE FRAGMENT ON ROBERT  
SUMMERSON JR. US [REDACTED] PRESBYTERIAN

D. DOG TAG RUBBINGS PLUS BONE FRAGMENT ON MARVIN FUGATE, US  
[REDACTED] NO PREF

E. DOG TAG RUBBING ON TON V HUONG, "7 TRAN T REP, CSF B18, MED AUTH  
29TH, NOTIFY 5FSG LLDB"

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6. IN EARLY DECEMBER, AN ETHNIC CHINESE-KHMER  
TURNED OVER THE FOLLOWING NAMES AND  
ACCOMPANYING BONE FRAGMENTS

A. DOG TAG RUBBING PLUS BONE FRAGMENT ON ROBERT L. TROTTER, RA  
[REDACTED] CHRISTIAN

B. DUPLICATE OF ABOVE

C. DOG TAG RUBBING PLUS BONE FRAGMENT ON GEORGE VARGAS, RA  
[REDACTED] CATHOLIC

NOTE THAT ANOTHER SOURCE TURNED OVER INFORMATION ON "ROBERT L.  
TROTTER" WHICH WAS PASSED TO JCRC IN EARLY DECEMBER 1988.

7. [REDACTED] WHO PROBABLY OBTAINED THEM FROM A  
REFUGEE IN SITE B, PASSED TWO PHOTOGRAPHS OF SKELETONS WITH  
IDENTIFYING INFORMATION LOCATED IN THE PICTURE (TOO SMALL TO READ);  
A COPY OF A DOG TAG OF: GEORGE T. MURRAY, RA [REDACTED] CATHOLIC,  
AND A MAP SUPPOSEDLY IDENTIFYING MURRAY'S BURIAL PLACE. THE  
PHOTOGRAPHS LOOK VERY FAMILIAR AND POSSIBLY THEY HAVE PREVIOUSLY  
BEEN TURNED OVER TO JCRC. THE NAME GEORGE T. MURRAY HAS ALSO BEEN  
REPORTED IN THE PAST.

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8. ON 9 JANUARY 1989, [REDACTED]  
PROVIDED TWO PHOTOGRAPHS OF WHAT ARE ALLEGEDLY, HUMAN BONES  
AND A DOG TAG. ACCORDING TO A CRUELY WRITTEN NOTE WHICH ACCOMPANIED  
THE PHOTOS, THE INFORMATION ON THE DOGTAG READS AS FOLLOWS: GOMEZ,  
ROBERT A. [REDACTED] CHRIST. SCI. (COMMENT: THE ALPHA  
ROSTER SHOWS ROBERT ARTHUR GOMEZ WITH SSAN [REDACTED] LISTED AS DEAD  
- BODY NOT RECOVERED )

[REDACTED] HAD BEEN APPROACHED IN  
HIS VILLAGE OF BAN THAN IN SWAENG DAEN DIN DISTRICT, SAKHON NAKHON  
PROVINCE O/A 7 JAN 89 BY AN ETHNIC LAO (NFI) WHO IS CURRENTLY  
RESIDING IN NAKHON PHANOM PROVINCE. THE LAO REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE IF THE BONES IN THE PHOTOGRAPH WERE AUTHENTIC.

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WERE INTERVIEWED BY A MEMBER OF THE STONY REACH OVERT DEBRIEFING TEAM.) WHEN CONTACTED DIRECTLY. ALTHOUGH FULLY COOPERATIVE, WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE MUCH IN TERMS OF DETAILS ABOUT THE ETHNIC LAO OR THE BONES IN QUESTION. SAID THE LAO INDICATED THAT THE BONES WERE FOUND AT A SITE SOMEWHERE NEAR THE BORDER OF LAOS AND VIETNAM. THE LAO CLAIMED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE BONES SHOWN IN THE PHOTO, HE WAS ALSO IN POSSESSION OF A PART OF A JAW BONE WHICH ALLEGEDLY ARE THE REMAINS OF A SECOND PERSON. STATED THAT THE LAO INDICATED THAT HE WOULD RETURN TO BAN THAN O/A 14 JAN 89. SAID HE WOULD BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN CONTACTING THE LAO IN NAKHON PHANOM THROUGH A MUTUAL FRIEND SHOULD THERE BE AN INTEREST IN DOING SO.

9. IN NOVEMBER 1988.

T FURNED OVER A BONE FRAGMENT ON ROBERT L. TROTTER, RA. [REDACTED] CHRISTIAN. STATED THAT TROTTER'S BROTHER (NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED) HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM JAIL IN VIETNAM AND WAS NOW IN PHNOM PENH. IS ATTEMPTING TO FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE TROTTER BROTHER IN PHNOM PENH. BONE FRAGMENTS ON THREE INDIVIDUALS (JAMES L. PHILLIPS, ALLEN K. BURGESS AND RED L. SMITH), WHOSE NAMES WERE PASSED IN AN EARLIER REPORT HAVE BEEN OBTAINED AND WILL BE TURNED OVER TO JCRC AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. TWO HANDWRITTEN COPIES OF DOGTAGS FOR TERRENCE L. TAYLOR WERE ALSO RECEIVED AS WELL AS PHOTOS OF SKELETONS AND HAND-DRAWN MAPS OF SUPPOSED GRAVESITES FOR GEORGE W. MURRAY AND WOODROW W. KEMP. JCRC HAS ADVISED THAT NAMES ON THAT REPORT WERE ALL BOGUS SO THE FRAGMENTS AND OTHER MATERIAL WERE ACCEPTED TO REMOVE THEM FROM CIRCULATION. THE CROSS BORDER TRADERS WHO PROVIDED THE INFORMATION STATE THAT THEY CAN DELIVER THE ENTIRE SKELETONS FOR MURRAY AND KEMP.

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REPORTED THAT IN JANUARY 1988 HE VISITED AN "AMERICAN JOURNALIST" BEING DETAINED AT THE FORMER LON NOL RESIDENCE IN PHNOM PENH. THE AMERICAN WAS REPORTEDLY ARRESTED IN WESTERN BATTAMBANG PROVINCE IN JULY 1987. THE AMERICAN WAS TO BE RELEASED IN JANUARY 1988, BUT WAS UNSURE IF THIS CAME ABOUT. THIS SIGHTING IS PROBABLY RELATED TO THE BRIAN BONO CASE; BONO WAS RELEASED EARLIER THIS SUMMER.

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SUBJECT: ALLEGED FIRST HAND LIVE SIGHTING REPORTING FROM  
KHAMTAN NOUMALA IN CANADA

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1. PER DISCUSSIONS WITH DIA/VO-PW ANALYSIS BRANCH CHIEF  
[REDACTED] ON 11 FEBRUARY 1988, WE ARE FORWARDING  
INFORMATION OUR [REDACTED] HAS OBTAINED THROUGH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FROM THE DEBRIEFING OF [REDACTED] IMMIGRANT  
[REDACTED] ON ALLEGED FIRST HAND  
LIVE SIGHTINGS IN LAOS. [REDACTED] REQUESTS THAT ITS  
INFORMATION NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE OF THIS AGENCY AND DIA  
WITHOUT [REDACTED] PERMISSION. WE HAVE SENT A MESSAGE TO  
[REDACTED] AS REQUESTED BY [REDACTED] FOR CONFIRMATION ON  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR [REDACTED] TRAVEL HERE FOR VO-PW DEBRIEFINGS ON  
THE MIA/POW ISSUE CIRCA 15 APRIL 1988. THE TEXT OF THE  
CANADIAN NOTE ON [REDACTED] IS AS FOLLOWS.

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2. SOURCE: [REDACTED] FORMER LAOTIAN, NOW A  
CANADIAN LANDED IMMIGRANT. SOURCE REPORTED THREE SIGHTINGS OF  
U.S. POW/MIA PERSONNEL IN LAOS IN 1984. DEBRIEFING WAS IN  
FRENCH BUT SOURCE MADE REFERENCE TO NOTES HE HAD PREPARED IN  
LAOTIAN. WE OBTAINED THESE NOTES AND THEY ARE ENCLOSED. YOU  
WILL BE ABLE TO DISCERN IMPRESSIONS OF PREVIOUSLY WRITTEN NOTES  
ON THE PAPER, POSSIBLE WRITTEN ON 31 AUGUST 1987. THESE APPEAR  
TO BE IN A DIFFERENT HAND AND MAY OR MAY NOT BE RELEVANT.

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3. SOURCE WAS UNABLE TO SPECIFY WHAT MONTH SIGHTS  
OCCURRED. SOURCE WAS ON THE ROAD FOR TWELVE MONTHS AS PART OF  
A GROUP DELIVERING MEDICAL SUPPLIES CSOVIET QUININE AND  
VITAMINSJ TO SEVERAL POPULATED PLACES.

4. THE FIRST SIGHTING OCCURRED 30 KILOMETERS NORTH OF

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SEPONE. HE SPENT TWO TO THREE WEEKS HERE. SEVENTEEN U.S. PERSONNEL WERE HELD IN A MONTAGNARD ENCAMPMENT ON A SMALL RIVER. THEY APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH AND WERE FED TWICE A DAY, AT NOON AND 1700 HOURS. THEY WERE TREATED AS PRISONERS AND WERE NOT, AS IN THE CASE OF THE SECOND SIGHTING, INTEGRATED INTO THE LOCAL POPULATION.

5. THE SECOND SIGHTING WAS AT KHAM KER, NEAR NAPE IN KHAKEM PROVINCE. HERE HE MET "MOKEN DOMAHO" (DONAHUE?) WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS A FORMER USAF BOMBER PILOT AND SON OF "A GENERAL" IN THE SEVENTH FLEET. DOMAHO WAS MARRIED TO A MONTAGNARD WOMAN WITH WHOM HE HAD TWO CHILDREN. HE WAS INTEGRATED INTO THE COMMUNITY AND HAD COMPLETE FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT. AT THIS SAME LOCATION WAS A BLACK AMERICAN, ALSO FREE. HE WAS UNMARRIED. OUR SOURCE SPENT FOUR WEEKS HERE.

6. THE THIRD SIGHTING WAS AT A CAMP 20 KILOMETERS OFF THE HO CHI MINH TRAIL (SEE SKETCHES). TWENTY-SEVEN U.S. SERVICEMEN WERE INCARCERATED HERE WITHIN A COMPOUND SURROUNDED BY FOUR ROWS OF BAMBOO FENCING. THE PRISONERS WORKED AT CUTTING FIREWOOD. THEY WERE TAKEN OUT EACH DAY BY GUARDS WHO WERE OF THE KHA SENG ETHNIC GROUP. ABOUT 200 METERS OUTSIDE THE COMPOUND WERE THREE GRAVES OF U.S. SERVICEMEN WHO HAD DIED IN THIS PRISON. IN A THREE WEEK PERIOD, SOURCE ENTERED THE COMPOUND FOUR TIMES, TAKING IN QUININE AND VITAMINS.

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7. AT THIS POINT HAVING GATHERED THE HIGHLIGHTS, WE PERSUADED OUR SOURCE TO SPEAK DIRECTLY WITH [REDACTED] OF YOUR OFFICE. AS AGREED WITH YOUR OFFICIALS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTINUE TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH THE SOURCE. SHOULD YOU WISH TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO CANADA TO MEET FACE-TO-FACE WITH HIM, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO COORDINATE THE MEETING. THIS EXERCISE DEALT WITH A SUBJECT MATTER AND A REGION THAT WE ARE NOT COMPLETELY FAMILIAR WITH, SO OUR APOLOGIES FOR ANY ERRORS IN THE SPELLING OF LAOTIAN NAMES. I WOULD APPRECIATE FROM YOU AN ASSESSMENT OF THE VALUE OF THIS INFORMATION IN DUE COURSE.

8. NOT RELEASABLE TO FOREIGN NATIONALS.

12. [REDACTED]

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TO: CIA//PW-MIA (COL. JOE SCHLATTER).

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SUBJECT: POW/MIA INFORMATION FROM LAO INFORMANT

1. THE FOLLOWING PRISONER OF WAR (POW)/MISSING IN ACTION (MIA) INFORMATION ON LAOS WAS OBTAINED IN LATE SEPTEMBER AND EARLY OCTOBER 1989. HE ALSO PROVIDED NOTES AND A SKETCH MAP OF THE AREA OF LAOS DESCRIBED IN HIS NOTES, WHICH WILL BE PASSED TO YOU SEPARATELY. HIS STATEMENTS AND NOTES ARE BEING PASSED FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

2. THE POW/MIA INFORMATION WHICH FOLLOWS WAS OBTAINED FROM

HE SERVED IN THE ROYAL LAO ARMY. HE RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO LAOS TO VISIT RELATIVES CIRCA AUGUST 1989. HE SAID THAT HE KNOWS PEOPLE IN LAOS AND COULD PROVIDE SOME HELP ON THE POW/MIA ISSUE SHOULD HE RETURN THERE. PROVIDED PROPER ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE TO PROTECT HIM AND HIS FAMILY.

4. SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDED THREE PAGES OF NOTES ON THE POW/MIA SUBJECT. ONE PAGE REPEATS SOME INFORMATION GIVEN IN PARA. 3 ABOVE. IT ALSO ADDS THAT AN UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN SAID THAT SHE SAW POW/MIA'S IN A PRISON CAMP AT "DINEDING" (SIC) AND THAT ANOTHER UNIDENTIFIED PERSON SAW ONE OF POW/MIA'S AT BAN "HOIASAN" (SIC). A SECOND PAGE, WHICH OBTAINED FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED LAO WHO HAD RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO LAOS, REPORTS THAT PRISON CAMPS EXIST NEAR "DINEDING" (SIC) AND BAN DONG (UNLOCATED). ALSO IN THIS NOTE IS A STATEMENT THAT A CRASH SITE WITH REMAINS EXISTS AT "BAN HOIASANE" (SIC). THE THIRD PAGE CONSISTS OF A SKETCH MAP OF THAT AREA OF LAOS DESCRIBED ABOVE AND SHOWS THE LOCATION OF A HEAVILY GUARDED CAMP AND OF "BAN HOIASANE" (SIC), WHERE AN ATTEMPT TO RELEASE A POW FAILED FOR LACK OF ENOUGH MONEY.

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TO: DIA WASHINGTON DC//PW-MIA (ATTN: COL. MIKE PECK)

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SUBJECT: REMAINS, DOG TAGS AND LIVE SIGHTING IN LAOS

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1. THE FOLLOWING PRISONER OF WAR (POW)/MISSING IN ACTION  
(MIA) INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED IN MID-SUMMER 1990

2. AT AN UNKNOWN LOCATION ON AN UNKNOWN DATE A GROUP OF  
SEVEN POW/MIA'S WERE SHOT AND BURIED. ONE WAS A COLONEL IN FULL  
UNIFORM. ONE WITNESS OF THIS INCIDENT TOOK THE UNIFORMS AND  
REBURIED THE BODIES. THE REMAINS AND DOG TAGS ARE STILL AT THE  
BURIAL SITE. ANOTHER MIA INDIVIDUAL (NFI) IS ALIVE AND UNDER  
GUARD, BUT IS AFRAID TO TRY TO ESCAPE. WHEN HE WAS ASKED IF HE  
WOULD LIKE TO GO HOME, HE REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY, BUT SAID THAT HE  
WOULD NEED HELP TO DO SO. HE IS MARRIED (POSSIBLY TO A LAO) AND  
HAS TWO CHILDREN.

3. PARTIAL DOG TAG INFORMATION ON THESE INDIVIDUALS IS AS  
FOLLOWS.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

PROTESANT

D. BOBS

LANNY D  
[REDACTED]

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