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EVIDENCE OF AMERICAN POWS  
EF: JCRC LIAISON 220403Z MAY "T89-120"

SOURCE/ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

A. NAME: SOURCE  
B. DPOB: 1931; CHINA  
C. PROFESSION: SD  
D. PRESENT LOCATION: SOURCE DATA  
E. IDENTIFICATION DATA: SOURCE DATA

F. STATUS: THAI CITIZEN  
G. INTERVIEW DATA: SOURCE HAS NOT BEEN  
INTERVIEWED BY JCRC.

SUMMARY: A LETTER WHICH WAS PASSED TO THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN CHIANG MAI DETAILS HEARSAY CONCERNING 26 AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR BEING HELD IN A PRISON AT "DIAN BIAN PHU." ALSO INCLUDED IS AN OPERATION PLAN SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL OF THE "LEADERSHIP" TO OBTAIN THE IDENTITIES OF THE AMERICAN PRISONERS. BESIDES THE ALLEGED LIVE AMERICANS THE AUTHOR OF THE LETTER INDICATES HE HAS INFORMATION CONCERNING THE REMAINS OF FOUR DECEASED AMERICANS INCLUDING: "MACEE, RALPH W.; MATTERSON, GLENN;

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FFRON, THOMAS C.; AND PAULSON, MERLIN L." THE AUTHOR  
THE LETTER ALSO INDICATES THAT THERE IS A ONE  
MILLION DOLLAR REWARD FOR THE RETURN OF EACH AMERICAN  
A.

INFORMATION: Q\*TD/FBZLLLOWING IS A  
TRANSLATION OF A LETTER DATED 6 MAR (1989) WRITTEN IN  
CHINESE FROM SS TO SS

(BEGIN TRANSLATION) DEAR SS HOW  
ARE YOU? I'M MISSING YOU VERY MUCH. I REMEMBER WHAT  
YOU TOLD ME THE LAST TIME WHEN WE MET EACH OTHER. YOU  
SAID: THERE'RE STILL MORE THAN 100 U.S. SOLDIERS  
FIGHTING IN ACTION DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. ANYONE WHO  
WANTS TO PLAN TO CARRY OUT INVESTIGATION INTO THE CASE OF  
THOSE SURVIVORS AND ARRANGE THEM TO FLEE FROM LAOS AND  
VIETNAM INTO THAI TERRITORY CAN EXPECT TO RECEIVE A  
CASH REWARD OF \$1M FOR EACH U.S. SOLDIER.

AFTER PARTING WITH YOU AND RETURNING HOME, I  
CLOSED MY SMALL BUSINESS AND IMMEDIATELY MADE CONTACTS  
TO OBTAIN CLUES CONCERNING THE MISSING U.S. SOLDIERS IN  
LAOS AND VIETNAM. AFTER HAVING CARRIED OUT  
INVESTIGATIONS SECRETLY THRU VARIOUS CHANNELS, I  
LEARNED THAT NAME, AN ASSUMED NAME,  
AGED 40, LIVING IN DATA, NORTHERN  
LAOS, WHO USED TO SERVE AS A DATA

(0691/0716), A STATION CHIEF OF CIA IN THE NORTH OF  
LAOS, JOINED THE WORK IN 1969 AND WAS ARRESTED BY  
COMMUNIST LAOTIANS AT DATA IN MAR,  
1975 AND TAKEN TO DATA

FOR THREE YEARS' REFORM THROUGH LABOUR.  
I SENT SOMEONE TO MONG MENG TO MAKE CONTACTS AND  
BOOK DATA TO MEI SAI (MAE SAI) BY CHARTERED BOAT.  
I STAYED IN MAE SAI JIN CHENG (POSSIBLY MUANG THONG)  
HOTEL FOR TWO DAYS AND TWO NIGHTS. I INQUIRED HIM IN  
DETAILS CONCERNING THOSE U.S. POW IN LAOS AND VIETNAM.  
NAME FRIEND NAME, LIVING IN NANTA  
LAO WORKING AS DATA WHO  
NAME SO MAINTAINS CORRESPONDENCE CONTACT WITH NAME  
NAME WENT TO DIAN BIAN PHU IN PERSON TO MAKE CONTACTS WITH  
NAME A POLICE SUPERINTENDENT IN PRISON, AND  
NAME TALKED WITH HIM IN DETAILS AND WAS GIVEN A LETTER OF  
NAME ALSO KNOWS THE IDENTITIES OF FOUR  
U.S. SOLDIERS' CORPSES AND WHERE THEY WERE BURIED.

THE FOLLOWING ARE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. POW  
RECOVERED BY NAME

1. WHEN SERVING THE TERM OF THREE YEAR'S

FORM THRU LABOUR NAME LEARNED THAT SIX U.S. POW  
ARE SERVING THEIR TERMS IN A PRISON IN FENG SA LI  
PROVINCE WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE SINO-LAOTIAN BORDER.

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HERE WERE STILL OVER 20 U.S. POW AT TANG MIE MAI  
(0781/3319/1003) IN SAN NENG (0005/5174). SOMETIMES,  
THOSE U.S. POWS WERE BROUGHT OUT TO REPAIR THE AIRCRAFT  
OR THE COMMUNIST LAOTIANS AND TAKEN BACK TO THE PRISON  
AFTER THE REPAIR WORK WAS DONE.

2. ON FEB 15, 1980, THE U.S. POWS IN THE  
ABOVE TWO PLACES WERE TRANSFERRED TO THE PRISON IN DIAN  
BIAN PHU IN THE VIETNAMESE TERRITORY FOR DETENTION.

3. INFORMATION ABOUT U.S. PILOTS CAPTURED:

- (1) 5 F4H PILOTS
- (2) 5 F105 PILOTS
- (3) 12 B-52 PILOTS

PLUS 4 U.S. INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS. THE ABOVE  
TOTAL 26 U.S. POWS WHO ARE DETAINED IN DIAN BIAN PHU  
PRISON.

4. POLICE OFFICER *NAME* OF DIAN BIAN  
PHU PRISON WROTE TO REVEAL THAT IF INFORMATION ABOUT  
THOSE U.S. POWS WAS NEEDED, SECRET CONTACTS COULD BE  
MADE WITH MONEY AND HE WAS WILLING TO PROVIDE THE  
INFORMATION.

5. *NAME* AND HIS FRIEND *NAME* ON MAY 1,  
1988 WENT FROM NANTA PROVINCE AND CROSSED INTO THE  
VIETNAM TERRITORY AND MET *NAME* AT QUE XI  
KIANG (4972/6007/6763), DIAN BIAN PHU FOR TALK. THE  
ABOVE INFORMATION AND AN ATTACHED LETTER OF *NAME*  
WERE GIVEN.

6. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE LEADERSHIP GIVE A  
PROMPT ANSWER TO THE MATTER OF EXCAVATING THE CORPSES  
OF U.S. SOLDIERS AND LET ME KNOW HOW MUCH CASH REWARD  
IN U.S. CURRENCY WILL BE GIVEN. AFTER MAKING SURE OF  
THIS, I'VE A PLAN TO GO AND EXCAVATE ALL CORPSES OF THE  
U.S. SOLDIERS AND PACK THEM IN BAGS FOR SUBMISSION TO  
THE LEADERSHIP.

7. THE ATTACHED ARE THE IDENTITIES OF FOUR  
DEAD U.S. SOLDIERS AND A LETTER IN LAOTIAN FROM *NAME*  
AS WELL AS A LETTER IN LAOTIAN OF *NAME*  
CHIEF WARDEN OF DIAN BIAN PHU PRISON.

8. PLEASE CHECK AND SEE WHETHER THE CORPSES  
OF THOSE FOUR U.S. SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN HANDED OVER BY  
THE VIETNAMESE GOVT TO WASHINGTON OR NOT AND LET ME  
KNOW WHETHER IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE CONTACTS FOR THE

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EXCAVATION OF THE REMAINING CORPSES OR NOT BY LETTER.

9. I WANT TO KNOW WHETHER INFORMATION ABOUT  
THOSE AMERICAN SURVIVORS IN LAOS AND VIETNAMESE IS  
NEEDED AND INVESTIGATION IS NEEDED TO BE CARRIED OUT OR  
NOT. AS A RESULT OF CONSULTATION BETWEEN *NAME* AND  
*NAME* FOUND OUT THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO GO TO NANTA TO  
COORDINATE WITH *NAME* IN CARRYING OUT INVESTIGATIONS  
IN DIAN BIAN PHU AND EXCAVATING THE CORPSES.

10. AFTER RECEIVING THIS REPORT, IT IS HOPED  
THAT THE LEADERSHIP CAN GIVE ME AN ANSWER AS SOON AS  
POSSIBLE. IN CONNECTION WITH THE DETAILED PLAN ON  
GOING TO DIAN BIAN PHU ANOTHER REPORT WILL BE  
SUBMITTED.

11. THE TOTAL EXPENSE FOR CAR AND BOAT FARES,  
HOTEL BILLS, FOOD/LODGING AND ENTERTAINMENTS FOR  
SENDING MEN TO GO TO LAOS FOR SEVERAL TIMES AND  
PAYING *NAME* TO MAE SAI FOR MEETING AMOUNTS TO  
1,960 BAHT. SO IT IS HOPED THAT REIMBURSEMENT CAN BE  
MADE TO ME IN DUE TIME.

12. THIS REPORT IS FOR REFERENCE. SUBMITTED  
BY *NAME* MAR 6 (1989)  
P.S. SHOULD *SS* WANT TO MEET ME IT CAN BE  
ARRANGED EITHER IN BANGKOK OR CHIANGMAI. PLEASE  
CONTACT *NAME* WHO MAY PASS ON  
YOUR MESSAGE TO ME. (END TRANSLATION)

ATTACHED TO THE ABOVE LETTER IS A SECOND  
LETTER, ALSO WRITTEN IN CHINESE: (BEGIN TRANSLATION)  
WORK PLAN

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1. METHOD FOR PERFORMANCE: *NAME* GOES PERSONALLY TO NANTA AND THEN PROCEEDS ALONG WITH *NAME* TO DIAN BIAN PHU TO MAKE SECRET CONTACTS WITH CHIEF WARDEN OF THE PRISON *NAME*.
2. WORKING ROUTE: SET OUT FROM HUAY SAI, NORTHERN AOS FOR DIAN BIAN PHU VIA PU KHA (0592/0595), NAM PANG (0589/5732), DA FA (1129/4099), NANTA (0589/0100) AND DONG SAI (3718/6357).
3. TASKS:
  - (1) AFTER MAKING CONTACTS WITH *NAME* TO BRIBE THE CONCERNED FOR INFORMATION SUCH AS WHERE THOSE MISSING U.S. SOLDIERS DURING THE VIETNAM WAR ARE NOW DETAINED, THE NUMBER OF SURVIVORS AND THEIR IDENTITIES, HOW MANY WERE KILLED BY THE VIETNAMESE AND PLACES WHERE THEIR BODIES WERE BURIED.
  - (2) BOTH *NAME* AND *NAME* WILL MAKE PLAN TO EXCAVATE THE SKELETONS OF THE ABOVE/MENTIONED FOUR U.S. SOLDIERS AND PACK THEM IN JUTE BAGS AND THEN HIRE FRIENDS OR RELATIVES OF *NAME* AND *NAME* TO CARRY THEM ON MULES OR BY MULES TO HUAY SAI UNDER THE COVER OF BUSINESS BY OFFERING THEM HIGH PRICES. THE REMAINS WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE LEADERSHIP AFTER THEY REACH LAOS TERRITORY. PLEASE LET ME KNOW HOW MUCH CASH REWARD FOR EACH SKELETON CAN BE OFFERED.
  4. REQUEST FOR AID: IT IS KINDLY REQUESTED THAT \$15,000 BE GIVEN AS OPERATION EXPENSE WHICH WILL INCLUDE EACH ITEM OF EXPENSE FOR WORK ACTIVITIES.
  5. COMMUNICATIONS TOOLS: AFTER THE FUND IS RECEIVED, A 125 C.C. HONDA MOTORCYCLE WILL BE BOUGHT IN HUAY SAI AS COMMUNICATIONS TOOL. SOME MEDICINE AND INJECTIONS WILL BE BOUGHT TO DISGUISE THEMSELVES AS MERCHANTS WHILE ON THE RETURN TRIP TIGER BONES, ELEPHANT TUSKS AND ANTLERS WILL BE BROUGHT BACK.
  6. TIME OF OPERATIONS: AFTER THE APPROVAL IS OBTAINED, THE OPERATION CAN BE CARRIED OUT BEFORE THE RAINY SEASON.
  7. REVIEW RESULT: ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED DURING THE OPERATION WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE LEADERSHIP FOR ASSESSMENT AND WAYS TO RESCUE THOSE AMERICAN SURVIVORS WILL BE WORKED OUT.
  8. THIS WORK PLAN IS SUBMITTED FOR REFERENCE.

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PLEASE GIVE YOUR ADVICES.

MAR 7, 1989.

ENCLOSED WITH THE LETTER WRITTEN IN CHINESE IS A PHOTOCOPY OF A LETTER WRITTEN IN CHINESE NOTATION. THE COPY IS OF POOR QUALITY AND ONLY A PORTION OF IT IS LEGIBLE, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING: AGE ONE:

(IN CHINESE) THE FOLLOWING IS A LETTER IN LAOTIAN WRITTEN BY CHIEF WARDEN OF DIAN BIAN PHU PRISON *NAME* AND GIVEN TO *NAME* WHO IS THE DRIVER OF A FIRST LIEUTENANT OF THE (VIETNAMESE) ARMY AND WENT TO DIAN BIAN PHU TO MEET *NAME*

(IN LAO) WORK DETAILS:

DATE 1-5-88 (ILLEGIBLE)...NAMTHA.

DATE 5-5-88 ARRIVED DIN VIAN

MORNING OF DAY 6-5-88 INTERVIEWED ABOUT THE PROBLEM CONCERNING THE GENERAL CONDITIONS IN AREA FOUR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF DIN VIAN - AT FIRST, BOTH SIDES WERE NOT ABLE (ILLEGIBLE)

DATE 5-9 COLONEL *NAME* POLICE BATTALION WORKED FOR US FOR ONE DAY.

DATE 10-5, 12 NOON, IS PROBABLY A DAY OF REST, THEREFORE HAD TIME TO TALK IN DETAIL. OUR SIDE

SUSPECTED THAT *NAME* THAT AS I HEARD, THERE ARE AT DIN VIAN STILL SOME U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR.

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(ILLEG) *NAME* STATED THAT THE CENTER OF  
THE POLICE BATTALION COMMAND SENT THIS GROUP FROM  
ANOI.

(IN CHINESE) P.S. THE ORIGINAL LETTER WAS GIVEN TO  
BY *NAME* IN PERSON WHICH WAS LATER PASSED  
N TO *NAME* A PHOTO COPY WAS MADE AND SENT OVER  
S EVIDENCE.

AGE TWO:

N 15-2-80, 26 PEOPLE (ILLEG)... F.4H, 5 PEOPLE; F105,  
PEOPLE; B-52 12 PEOPLE; AND 4 PERSONS WHO ARE  
NTELLIGENCE. THESE PEOPLE ARE IN SEMINAR. LOCATION  
S AT POLITICAL-CULTURAL COLLEGE NUMBER 608 (ILLEGIBLE)  
IN VIAN, 10-5-88 NAME: *NAME*

AGE THREE:

(IN CHINESE) THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES AND SERIAL  
UMBERS ON THE CHEST BADGES OF THE DEAD U.S. SOLDIERS:  
IN LAO) THEY INFORMED US LIKE THAT, THEN YOUNGER SOM  
ND ELDER SOM THOUGHT ABOUT IT AND AGREED.

ELDER SAID THAT (ILLEGIBLE) THE DRAWING BELOW IS THE  
HAPE OF THE (ILLEG) ... AUTHENTIC OR NOT.

TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS  
ANDWRITTEN INSIDE OF DOG TAG SHAPED RECTANGLE):

ACEE RALPH W, AO 3039962, T54, APOS PAOTESTANT  
ATTESONGLENN, AO OPOS, UNI TARIAN (MORE  
LLEGIBLE LAO WRITING)

(IN CHINESE) THE FOLLOWING ARE THE CHEST BADGES OF  
EAD AMERICAN PILOTS WITH NAME, SERIAL NUMBER ON THEM:  
AFFRON THOMAS C, *DATA* I, O-POS, BAPTIST  
AULSON MERLIN L, B-POS, OUTHRAN

(IN CHINESE) THEY SAID US PILOT'S CLOTHES WERE BURNT  
HEN THE AIRCRAFT CRASHED.

COMMENTS: THE ABOVE LETTER WITH ATTACHMENTS  
AS PASSED TO JCRC-LNO BY THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN  
HIANG MAI IN MARCH 89. AT THE TIME SOURCE WAS STAYING  
T THE *SOURCE DATA* IN CHIANG MAI. AFTER  
BTAINING A TRANSLATION OF THE LETTER WRITTEN IN  
HINESE PROVIDED BY SOURCE, JCRC-LNO CONTACTED THE  
OTEL BUT SOURCE WAS NO LONGER REGISTERED. JCRC-LNO  
NTACTED *NAME* (SOURCE OF REF) IN CHIANG MAI  
O SEE IF HE KNEW OF SOURCE SINCE THE INFORMATION HE

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ROVIDED IN REF INCLUDED THE SAME FOUR NAMES AS THOSE  
ENTIONED ABOVE. *NAME* DID NOT KNOW OF SOURCE, BUT  
PINED THAT THE INFORMATION MAY HAVE HAD A COMMON  
RIGIN. SUBSEQUENTLY, *NAME* AT THE CONSULATE IN  
HIANG MAI WAS CONTACTED. *NAME* WHO TALKED WITH  
OURCE BRIEFLY, INDICATED THAT SOURCE HAD MENTIONED  
AVING PREVIOUSLY DEALT WITH AN AMERICAN WHOM SOURCE  
NLY IDENTIFIED AS *NAME* SOURCE PROVIDED AS AN  
DDRESS: *DATA* CHIANG RAI. ON AN  
NVELOPE WHICH WAS INCLUDED WITH THE LETTER SOURCE  
ROVIDED WAS ANOTHER NAME AND ADDRESS: *NAME*

*DATA* MAE CHAN,  
HIANG RAI. A COPY OF DOCUMENTS MENTIONED ABOVE WILL  
E FORWARDED TO DIA/PW-MIA AND HQ JCRC. A COPY OF THIS  
EPORT WITH RELATED DOCUMENTS HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO  
TONY BEACH.

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SUBJ: EVALUATION OF RPT T89-202

A. JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH 250958Z MAY 89

1. INITIAL ANALYSIS OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SOURCE  
THE SOURCE OF REF A, REVEALS A CORRELATION TO  
REFNO'S 1561-02, AND 1807-08. THIS IS NOT A FINAL  
EVALUATION.

2. ON 23 MARCH 1961, FIRST LIEUTENANT NAME  
SECOND LIEUTENANT NAME AND FIVE OTHER INDIVIDUALS  
WERE CREW MEMBERS ABOARD A C-47 AIRCRAFT ENROUTE FROM VIENTIANE,  
LAOS TO HO CHI MINH CITY (FORMERLY SAIGON), VIETNAM. THE AIRCRAFT,  
SERIAL NUMBER 76330, WAS HIT BY GROUND FIRE AND CRASHED IN THE  
VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES UG 081550, APPROXIMATELY SIX KILOMETERS  
NORTHWEST OF PHONG SAVAN AIRFIELD, XIANGKHOANG PROVINCE, LAOS. ONE  
INDIVIDUAL WHO SAFELY PARACHUTED FROM THE AIRCRAFT, WAS CAPTURED AND  
RELEASED IN AUGUST OF 1962. NAME AND THE  
REMAINING FIVE INDIVIDUALS ARE UNACCOUNTED FOR.

3. REFNO 1561: ON 18 FEBRUARY 1970, CAPTAIN THOMAS C. DAFFRON  
WAS ONE OF TWO CREW MEMBERS ABOARD AN F-4C AIRCRAFT IN A FLIGHT OF  
TWO AIRCRAFT. THE AIRCRAFT, SERIAL NUMBER 63-7671, WAS HIT BY 37MM  
ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE AND CRASHED IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES  
XD070912, APPROXIMATELY THREE KILOMETERS SOUTH OF CHANG VONG  
MOUNTAIN, KHAMMOUAN PROVINCE, LAOS. SEARCH AND RESCUE EFFORTS BEGAN  
IMMEDIATELY AND CONTINUED UNTIL 22 FEBRUARY 1970 WITHOUT SUCCESS.

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PAULSON, MERLIN L."

2. ON 28 JUN 89, JCRC INTERVIEWERS GADOURY AND  
G. E. SMITH ATTEMPTED TO LOCATE THE SOURCE OF THE  
LETTER AT THE TWO ADDRESSES PROVIDED IN THE LETTER.  
THE FIRST ADDRESS *SOURCE DATA*

*CHIANG*  
RAI PROVINCE, THAILAND. JCRC INTERVIEWERS LOCATED  
THE MARKET, BUT AFTER AN EXTENSIVE DOOR TO DOOR  
SEARCH FAILED TO LOCATE ANY PLACE MATCHING THE  
ADDRESS PROVIDED. NONE OF THE VENDORS IN THE AREA  
KNOW SOURCE'S NAME. LATER THE SAME DAY,  
INTERVIEWERS TRAVELED FURTHER NORTH TO MAE SAI  
DISTRICT (UTM: NC9360), BUT WERE UNABLE TO LOCATE A  
VILLAGE BY THE NAME OF "BAN THAT" AS LISTED IN

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