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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Lao Refugee SOURCE DATA

AKA: SOURCE

On 17 July 1981, NAME [redacted] a native Lao, contacted SOURCE DATA on behalf of DI-7C. SOURCE DATA advised essentially as follows:

He was born in SOURCE, military and had no official contact with the USG prior to 1975. After the fall of the government in 1975, he secured a job with the Pathet Lao government to deliver commodities to Pathet Lao forces in the field. In April, 1980, he and several others traveled by truck to northern Luang Prabang province to deliver supplies to an unidentified Pathet Lao unit. While at the unit's location, he observed six Caucasian males. He asked a Pathet Lao soldier who the white people were and was told that they were American prisoners. The Pathet Lao soldier told him that 50 Americans were held there, but he saw only six. He was able to observe these six Caucasians for approximately 15 minutes from an approximate distance of 15 yards.

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*****USAEC ACTIVITIES*****

SGS DPCA 46 CPO DIO DRM PAO PMO SJA TSMG OAIM
SCH BDE DCD DTD SS DC&E DOES DEH EEO IG RED CROSS
OPTSEC SCTY OPTSEC UNCLAS CHAPLAIN OTHER:

*****TEVANT ACTIVITIES*****

BELVOIR R3D FESA ETL WRSC RRHR HECSA ESC USAMARDA MEDOAC
DMS DPDO DSMC DUSAA/AASF TSA USAISSC ANCA 310TH DENTAC CID
AFIS/AFSAC 902DMI DIRUSAISC/OIC/M&K/SVC USCGC CAPSTAN OTHER

RTISZYUW RUEKJCS0501 0790458- -RUEOFUA
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R 190102Z MAR 85
FM DEFINTELAGNRY READD WASH DC
TO RUEOFAA/CDRJSOC FT BRAGG NC
RUEORDF/DIRAFMIC FT DETRICK MD//AFMIC-IS//
RUHHHMA/CDRUSAITIC PAC FT SHAFTER HI//INT//
RUCLAKA/CDR4THPSYOP 6P FT BRAGG NC
RUCLAKA/CDRXVII ABNCRPS FT BRAGG NC
RUCLAKA/CDR82DABNDIV FT BRAGG NC
RUCLBPA/CDR24THINFDIV FT STEWART GA
RUWMBHA/CDR7THPSYOPGP PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO CA
RUDWAAO/US ARMY FIELD STATION OKINAWA JA//TSS CO//
RUETIAS/CDRUSAITAC FT GEORGE G MEADE MD//IAX-US-R//
RUDHAA/CDRUSAITAC ARLINGTON HALL STATION VA//IAX-TA-0//
RUEKJCS/DEFINTAGNRCY WASHINGTON DC//C798//
RUWMFDA/CDR1ST SF GP FT LEWIS WA
RUEOAJC/NAVOPINTCEN SUITLAND MD
RUEOAJA/NOSEC SUITLAND MD
RUEOFUA/AFIS FT BELVOIR VA//INU//
RHWRMPC/AFMPC RANDOLPH AFB TX
RUEAHQA/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC//XOX//

PAGE 02 RUEKJCS0501
RUVAFLC/AFLC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OH
RUEOFFA/ESD HANSCOM AFB MA
RUWMATA/3614 CCTS FAIRCHILD AFB WA
RUWMATA/3636CCTW FAIRCHILD AFB WA//DOTU//
RUQVAAG/HQ ESC DCS KELLY AFB TX//INYO//
RUEAHQA/HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC//XOOIR//
RUCIFBA/MAC INTEL CEN SCOTT AFB IL//IM//
RUHVAAA/548RTG HICKAM AFB HI
RUMUAAA/13AF CLARK AB RP
RUHHHMA/CDRWESTCOM FT SHAFTER HI
RHHMBRA/FICPAC PEAKL HARBOR HI
RUWFAAA/FASOTRAGRUPAC SAN DIEGO CA

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RUCUAAA/544IAES OFFUTT AFB NE//IAA//
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RUEKJCS/DEFINTAGNCY WASHINGTON DC//SO30//
P 280602Z FEB 85
FM DET 32 PSAA SEUL KOR//INO//
TO RUEKJCS/DIA WASH DC//DC-2/RTS-2B/DC-4A/DC-4H/U1-E2//
INFO RUHQBP/CDR JCRC BARBERS PT HI
RUMTBK/JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH
RUHQHQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J-2//
RUEAUSA/SECSTATE WASH DC//EAP/VKL/CA/OCS/EMR//
RUEAIIA/CIA WASH DC//DDO/EA/VKL//
RUEABOL/HQ AFIS BOLLING AFB DC//INT/INR//
RUEOFUA/HQ AFIS FT BELVOIR VA//INU//
RUEAHQA/HQ USAF WASH DC//INEG/INER/INES/INET//
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASH DC//OASD-ISA/PW-MIA//
RUEOFUA/HQ AFSAC FT BELVOIR VA//INOC//
RUHVAAA/HQ PSAA HICKAM AFB HI//INO//
RUHVAAA/HQ PACAF HICKAM AFB HI//DOI/IN//
RUEHUL/AMEMB SEUL KOR//SAA//
RUAGAAA/COMUSKOREA SEUL KOR//SA/J-2/BJ-PL-H//
RUEKJCS/MACC WASH DC
RUEADWW/WHITE HOUSE WASH DC//SIT ROOM//

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SERIAL: IIR 1 512 0042 85
PASS: DIA FOR RTS-28
COUNTRY: VIETNAM (VM)
SUBJ: IIR 1 512 0042 85/US POW'S IN VM (1979)
WARNING: THIS IS AN INFO REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTEL.
DOI: 790000
REQS: D-DIX-49018, T-4H1-49204
SOURCE: ^{SS} SD, A VM REFUGEE AND MEDICAL NURSE WHO DEPARTED VM IN SEP 84 ALONG WITH 44 OTHER REFUGEES. HE HAS BEEN RESIDING IN ASD REFUGEE CAMP SINCE OCT 84. SOURCE ACQUIRED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT WHILE RESIDING IN VM. HIS RELIABILITY IN REPORTING HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED.

SUMMARY:) THIS REPORT PROVIDES A HEARSAY ACCOUNT OF US POW'S IN VM.

TEXT: HEARSAY INFORMATION FROM SUBSOURCE (EO: ^{SS} AGE 43) (EO: SEE COMMENT BELOW) INDICATED THAT THREE ALLEGED US MILITARY PERSONNEL HAD BEEN CAPTURED ON PHU QUOC ISLAND

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(1012N/10400E, 86N) IN 1979. SUBSOURCE OBSERVED THE ALLEGED POW'S

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AT DUONG DONG (1013N/10358E, 86N) WHILE WAITING FOR THE FERRY BOAT BOUND FOR HO CHI MINH CITY (1045N/10640E, 86N). THEY WERE ESCORTED BY VM SECURITY PERSONNEL WITH THEIR HANDS TIED BEHIND THEIR BACKS. THEY WERE TRANSPORTED ON THE SAME BOAT AS THE SUBSOURCE. IN THE BOAT THE SECURITY PERSONNEL PLACED THE THREE INDIVIDUALS IN A SEPARATE COMPARTMENT, ISOLATING THEM FROM THE PASSENGERS. SUBSOURCE HEARD FROM ONE OF THE SECURITY PERSONNEL ON THE BOAT THAT THEY HAD APPREHENDED THE POW'S ON A MOUNTAIN ON PHU QUOC ISLAND. THE PRISONERS HAD LONG BEARDS AND SHABBY CLOTHES. (NFI)

COMMENTS:
1. SUBSOURCE IS SOURCE'S COUSIN AND WAS A FORMER SERGEANT FIRST CLASS IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH VIETNAM NAVY. HE WORKED FOR THE COMMUNIST VM NAVY AS AN ELECTRIC LINEMAN ON SS DATA ^{SSD}. SUBSOURCE WAS RETURNING TO HIS HOME LOCATED AT AN KHANH VILLAGE, THU DUC COUNTY, HO CHI MINH CITY WHEN HE OBSERVED THE ALLEGED POW'S. SOURCE VISITED SUBSOURCE AT HIS HOME IN AUG 84 AND LEARNED THE INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT WHILE DISCUSSING HIS PLANNED ESCAPE OF VM. SUBSOURCE HOPED THE US WOULD RETURN TO VM WHICH IS A DESIRE, SOURCE OPINED, THAT IS SHARED BY THE

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MAJORITY OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE.
2. SOURCE APPEARED INTELLIGENT AND IN GOOD MENTAL AND PHYSICAL CONDITION AT THE TIME OF THE DEBRIEFING. SOURCE IS AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER DEBRIEFING UNTIL RESETTLEMENT ACTIONS ARE COMPLETED. RESETTLEMENT IS ANTICIPATED TO OCCUR BY 1 MAY 1985. THEREFORE, 6NY FOLLOW-UP SOURCE DIRECTED REQUIREMENTS (SDR) MUST BE SUBMITTED SOONEST.

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PROJ: (1421-10
COLL: ((XH)
INSTR:) DIRC NO
PREP: (AF-32-011
APPR: ()
EVAL: () YES, D-DIX-49018 REL TO: NONE

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ENCL: N/A
DISSEM: N/A
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*****USAFEC ACTIVITIES*****

SGS DPCA AG CPO DIO DRM PAO PMO SJA TSMG DOES
SCH RDE GCD DOTO SS DOIM DAIM DEH EFO IG RED CROSS
DPTSEC SCTY DPTSEC UNCLAS CHAPLAIN EPO OTHER:

*****TENANT ACTIVITIES*****

BRDC FESA ETL WRSC RRHR HECSA ESC USAMARDA MEDDAC DMS DRMO
DSMC DAC/AASF TSA USAISEC/TACMIS/ROSCA ANCA 310TH DENTAC CID
AFIS/AFSAC 907MI USAISC/OIC/M&R/SVC USC6C CAPSTAN OTHER

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P 22017Z AUG 85
FM DET 32 PSAA SEOUL KOR//INO//
TO RUEKJCS/DIA WASH DC//DB-2/DC-4A//
RUEHC/SECSTATE WASH DC EAP/VKL/CA/OCS/EMO//
RUEADWW/NSC WHITE HOUSE WASH DC
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASH DC//OASD-ISA-PW/MIA//
RUEAIIA/CIA WASH DC//DOO/EA/VKL//
RUEKJCS/JCS WASH DC//J-3/J-5//
RUMTBK/JCRC LIAISON BANGKOK TH
RUHQPPA/CMDR JCRC BARBERS POINT HI
RUHQHQA/USCINCPAC HONOLULU HI//J-2/J-3//
RUEOFUA/HQ AFIS FT BELVOIR VA//INU//
RUHVAAA/HQ PSAA HICKAM AFB HI//INO//

RUHQHQA/COMIPAC HONOLULU HI//IA//
RUHVAAA/548RTG HICKAM AFB HI//DOO//
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SERIAL: IIR 1 512 0208 85
PASS: DIA FOR RTS-28, NSC PASS TO MR. NAME

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COUNTRY: VIETNAM (VM)
SUBJ: IIR 1 512 0208 85/SIGHTING OF FORMER US PILOT IN VM
WARNING: () THIS IS AN INFO REPORT, NOT FINALLY EVALUATED INTEL.
DOI: () 800900
REQS: () D-OTX-49018
SOURCE: () A VM REFUGEE WHO DEPARTED FROM VM
ON 26 JUNE 1985 AND HAS BEEN RESIDING IN A KS REFUGEE CAMP
SINCE 17 JULY 1985. SOURCE ACQUIRED THE INFORMATION
CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT WHILE LIVING IN VM. SOURCE IS A

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