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1. There is a Haw Chinese village of about 400 people about two kilometers north of the village of Vieng Wye, which is about six kilometers west of Muang Fang (N 19-55, E 99-13). Although there are a few Thai women in the village, the majority of the people are Chinese. They wear the conventional Chinese dress, and the older women have bound feet. In February 1955 the village had been in existence for about one year, and the villagers were on friendly terms with the police. The chief of the village said [REDACTED] 1955 that the Chinese came from the town of Sela in Burma, just across the Thai border to the northwest. The majority of the Chinese had left Yunnan about four years ago; they had left Burma because of the war conditions there. The occupations of the villagers seemed to be farming and caravan work.

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B- 2. Sixteen photographs taken in northern Thailand during January and February 1955 have been deposited in the CIA Graphics Register. Descriptions of these photographs, which are numbered 1 to 16, are as follows:

- a. Picture 1 shows, from left to right, Police Captain Pichai, Nai Ma Sua Chue, and Police Lieutenant Chalern. The picture was taken in the Haw village described in Paragraph 1 above.
- b. Picture 2 is of Haw Chinese in the village north of Vieng Wye. Major occupation of the women appears to be making shoes and hats. Another village enterprise is the drying of meat and fish in the sun after salting.
- c. Picture 3 shows the Haw Chinese making shoes in the village of Vieng Wye. The dress and head wrappings are different from the Thai apparel.
- d. Picture 4 was taken facing north from the compound of the Wat at Vieng Wye. The mountain in the rear is half in Thailand, half in Burma, and is called Doi San Chu.

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