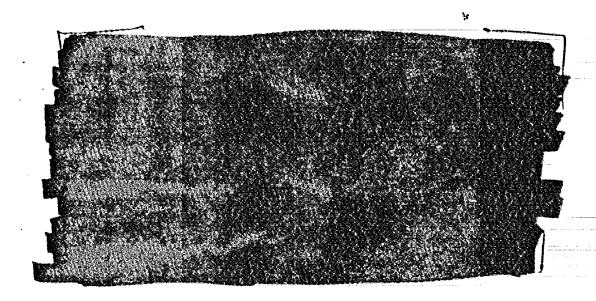


CS 317/09035/71

31 August 1971

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Location of a Viet Cong Prison Camp for U.S. and South
Vietnamese Prisoners in Kompong Cham Province, Cambodia



1. A Viet Cong prison camp for U.S. and South Vietnamese prisoners is located at Kilo Lek Hasep Buon (WU6209), about 3.5 kilometers east of Cambodian national Route 15, in the Peam Cheang rubber plantation, Kompong Cham Province, Cambodia. South Vietnamese and U.S. prisoners are detained separately, ten men to a hut. The prison detention huts are of simple construction with leaf or plastic cloth roofs. The camp appeared to have been in its present location for a long time.* The prisoners are not physically restrained because the location of the camp and security measures are adequate to prevent their escape.

Comment: This may possibly be the same, or part of the same, camp reported on in TDCS-314/07861-71, 30 July 1971 and/or TDCS-314/02789-71, 17 March 1971. The information in these two reports was

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2. There is only one main route into the camp. There are three security checkpoints on the route to the camp between the camp and Route 15. The outer checkpoint is manned by an undetermined number of Khmer Communist guards, the second checkpoint is manned by two battalions of North Vietnamese Army troops, and the third checkpoint near the entrance to the camp is manned by VC MR-2 security section personnel. The perimeter of the camp is heavily mined.

Comment: The subsource could not give the layout, size of the camp, or any estimate of the number of prisoners.