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CITE TDCS-314/04967-71

DIST 13 MAY 1971

COUNTRY LAOS/NORTH VIETNAM

DCI 1965 - 11 MAY 1971

SUBJECT OBSERVATION OF UNIDENTIFIED AMERICAN POW'S IN SAM NEUA AND HANOI IN 1965

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SOURCE

[REDACTED]

ON [REDACTED] MAY 1971

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE HAD SEEN IN 1965 SIX AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR /POW'S/ IN SAM NEUA AND ABOUT 30 AMERICAN POW'S IN HANOI. [REDACTED] SAW THREE PLANES SHOT DOWN OVER SAM NEUA ON 4 JUNE 1965 WHEN HE WAS PASSING THROUGH

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(Colonel/Assistant) (Colonel/Assistant)

ENROUTE TO HABAC, NORTH VIETNAM / UNLOCATED /. ALL THREE OF THE PILOTS OF THE PLANES WERE CAPTURED BUT NONE APPEARED INJURED. [REDACTED] ALSO SAW THREE OTHER AMERICAN POW'S, ON THE SAME DAY, BEING ESCORTED INTO WHAT LOOKED LIKE A PL OFFICE. THESE THREE WERE WALKING AND APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH.

2. [REDACTED] WAS ABLE TO GET A CLOSE LOOK AT ONE OF THE POW'S IN SAM NEUA, WHEN THE POW'S PLANE CRASHED NEAR WHERE [REDACTED] WAS TAKING COVER FROM THE BOMBS. THE AIRCRAFT WAS A PHOTO PLANE AND THE PILOT WAS ABLE TO GET OUT OF THE PLANE AFTER IT CRASHED. THE PILOT APPEARED ABOUT 35 YEARS OLD, SHORT AND HEAVY WITH FAIR COMPLEXION.

3. WHILE [REDACTED] WAS IN HANOI IN 1965, HE BRIEFLY SAW ABOUT 50 AMERICAN POW'S. ALL OF THE POW'S APPEARED HEALTHY. [REDACTED] COMMENT. [REDACTED] DID NOT SPECIFY WHERE OR WHEN IN 1965 HE SAW THE AMERICAN POW'S IN HANOI AND HE HAD NO OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THESE POW'S./

4. FIELD DISSEM. STATE ARMY AIR CINCPAC ARPAC PACAF PACFLT MACV/JPRC 7TH AF 7/13TH AF TFA/NKP 7TH RRFS [REDACTED]

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