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FROM: JCRC-LNB

SUBJ: Refugee Report, Alleged Sighting of Caucasian Prisoners

TO: Commander, JCRC
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SOURCE ^{SD} a 39 year old native of
NVN, was interviewed ^{SD} He
stated that he had seen 20 or more large, light-skinned males in an
enclosed camp in the Song Ray (Ray River) area near Cam My Village, Xuan
Loc District in Long Khanh near the Phuoc Tuy border (YS 3490), in late-
1977. SC said that he was the ^{SD}

It was while studying these remote areas that SC came upon the "caucasian prisoners" whom he claimed to have seen through a crisscrossed bamboo fence about 15 meters from where he was standing, on three different occasions. SC said he asked the colonel for whom he worked (SC couldn't remember the colonel's name), who the caucasians were. The colonel replied that they were "foreigners", according to SC who did not pursue the matter further. On another occasion SC said he met a team of cadre from the north who had come to this area to help with the planting of yellow corn and papayas. SC asked this team who the caucasians were and they told him they were "people who flew planes". SC said that the longest he observed these caucasians at any one time was for one hour. He described them as all caucasian, tall, strong and healthy, all had beards and hairy legs. They wore a mixture of tattered fatigue shirts, short pants and seemed to be working at chores within the bamboo enclosure. There were armed Vietnamese guards in the area and the caucasians appeared to be prisoners. While SC could hear low conversations among the caucasians, he said he could not hear what they were saying or what language they were using. (SC can speak English.) The last time SC saw the Americans, he said, was in December 1977.

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