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COUNTRY : SOUTH VIETNAM (SVN)

SUBJECT : U.S. Soldiers Captured by VC
Seen in PHUOC THANH Province

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A total of seven U.S. prisoners of the VC were seen in PHUOC THANH Province in March and May 1966. All appeared to be in good health and were apparently enroute to a place of detention.

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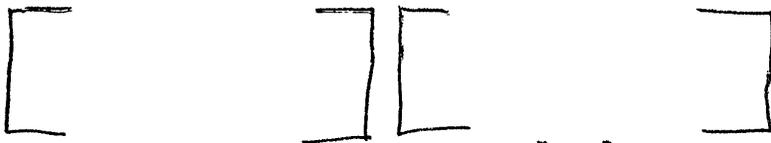
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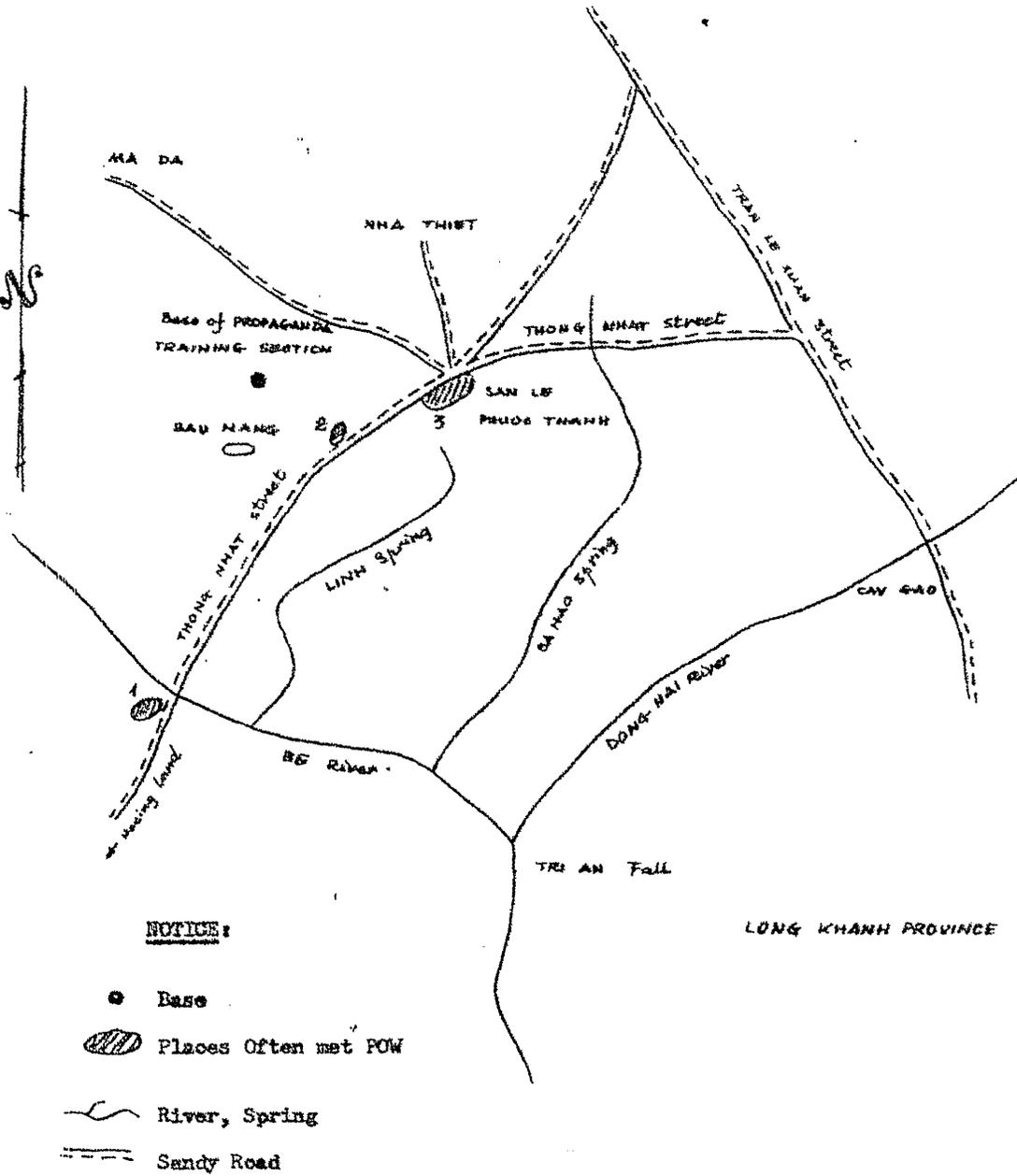
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1. In March 1966, a sweep operation took place in War Zone D at BAU NANG (YT 160430), PHUOC THANH Province. The operation came to an end on 25 March and approximately two kilometers north of BAU NANG a VC group was met escorting four U.S. prisoners. The four prisoners, three of them white and one negro, were not bound and wore black clothes, sandals; and rolled scarves around their necks. Each carried a small bag and a can of water. Some of them smoked. They were in good health and did not seem sad. The three white men were big; young, approximately 1.65 to 1.70 meters tall, and had brunet hair. The negro had short hair, was 1.80 meters tall, weighed 70 kgs., was stoop shouldered and approximately 30 years of age. A VC said that the U.S. prisoners ate rice with meat; Some of the VC taught them to speak Vietnamese, and they could say "give me a drink" in Vietnamese. Some of the VC could speak English and told the prisoners of the situation in Vietnam. The prisoners said they did not want to fight anymore.
2. In mid-May 1966, another VC group escorting three U.S. prisoners was met at CA COC (location unknown) east of MA DA, PHUOC THANH Province. There were three U.S. prisoners, all white, and they wore black clothes and sandals. Their ages were from 25 to 30 years; they were not tied, carried small bags and a water can, and wore scarves. It was heard they were captured on Route 13. Their health appeared to be fairly good. One American was short, about 1.60 meters tall. The two others were each about 1.70 meters tall.

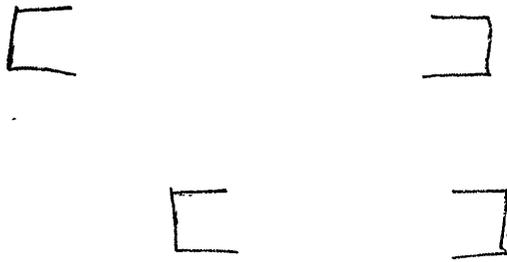


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STRIP MAP OF PATHS IN WAR ZONED AT HIEU LIEM DISTRICT
(PHUOC THANH)



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