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Memorandum For: Assistant Vice Director for Collection  
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Department of State

**SUBJECT** : The Alleged 1968 Killing and Burial of a U.S.  
Soldier in Da Nang City, Former Republic Of  
(South) Vietnam, By a Former Communist In-City  
Agent

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1. Attached as of possible interest to you is a report [redacted] who claimed knowledge of the 1968 killing and burial of a U.S. soldier in Da Nang City, Former Republic of (South) Vietnam, by a former Communist In-City Agent.

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Deputy Director for Operations

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Attachment: Report as stated

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SUBJECT: The Alleged 1968 Killing and Burial of a U.S. Soldier in Da Nang City, Former Republic Of (South) Vietnam, By a Former Community In-City Agent.

TEXT: 1. In early 1976 former Communist In-City Agent Nguyen Duy ((Nhat)), also known as Ba ((Nhat)), claimed that he and a young relative knifed to death a U.S. soldier in early 1968 in Da Nang City, and buried him under Nhat's home, a house of prostitution. The uniformed U.S. soldier came to the home in a drunken state one night in early 1968, about the time of the Tet Offensive.

2. In early 1976 Nhat, who claimed to be illiterate, told the source during an after-hours gathering of co-workers from the Nam Do Bank that he had to get help to write a report to the Quang Nam-Da Nang Provincial People's Committee in 1976 to claim credit for having killed a U.S. "brigand" to "protect the people." Nhat also said that he requested that the body be disinterred and that he be given his deserved reward. The Provincial Party Committee refused this request.

3. Nhat's house was located off Hoang Dieu Street, Da Nang City, Phuoc Ninh Ward, District One (house number unknown). The house was behind the old Tam Giao Snack Bar on Hoang Dieu Street, which after 1975 was turned into a refreshment store for the state store chain. Next to the refreshment store was a three-story house which was an office of the Vietnam Quoc Dan Dang (Vietnam Nationalist Party) before 1975. On the other side of Nhat's house was a row of apartments which formed a dead-end to the valley in which Nhat's house was located. Nhat's house and the neighboring apartments were roofed with old curved tiles and the floors were earthen. After 1975 they were roofed with flat tiles and the floors were covered with cement. As of 1982 Nhat lived in the house with four or five children fathered by U.S. soldiers who earned their livings as hawkers.

4. Nhat was born in 1908 and claimed to have been the deputy chairman of the Passengers' Transport Car Union of the Workers' Confederation in the 1960s. From 1972 until his retirement in 1980 he was a driver for the Nam Do Bank. At

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