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DOI: AUGUST 1987
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SOURCE:

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TEXT: 1. A SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM (SRV) OFFICIAL COMMENTED
IN PRIVATE IN LATE OCTOBER 1987 THAT HE IS CERTAIN THAT THERE ARE
AMERICAN PRISONERS OF WAR (POW) STILL BEING HELD IN REMOTE AREAS OF
SOUTHERN VIETNAM BY PRIVATE MILITANT GROUPS ACTING WITHOUT THE
KNOWLEDGE OF THE SRV LEADERSHIP. ACCORDING TO THIS OFFICIAL, THESE
GROUPS ARE ANTI-COMMUNIST MEMBERS OF THE FORMER SOUTH VIETNAMESE
GOVERNMENT WHOSE MOTIVATION IS FINANCIAL. THIS OFFICIAL COMMENTED
THAT DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, THE VIET CONG MAINTAINED THEIR MILITARY
UNITS IN THE JUNGLES AND TUNNELS FOR YEARS WITHOUT BEING DISCOVERED,
SO IT SHOULD BE NO SURPRISE THAT POW COULD STILL BE HIDDEN.
2. THIS OFFICIAL RECEIVED HIS INFORMATION ON THE EXISTENCE OF
THE POW'S FROM A MEDICAL DOCTOR ACTIVE IN TREATING INDIVIDUALS
WITHOUT IDENTIFICATION PAPERS WHO HAVE BEEN AVOIDING SRV GOVERNMENT
DETENTION SINCE THE FALL OF SAIGON.

ACQ: (LATE OCTOBER 1987)
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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] POW REPORT

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REF: 1. REGARDING THE REQUEST OF MR. RICHARD CHILDRESS FOR INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] REPORT, [REDACTED]

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2. WE REQUEST THAT WHEN THE ABOVE INFORMATION [REDACTED] IS SENT TO MR. CHILDRESS, AN EVALUATION OF THE [REDACTED] INFORMATION REGARDING POW 'S BEING HELD BY PRIVATE MILITANT GROUPS BE INCLUDED.

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4. DECL OADP DRV [REDACTED]

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