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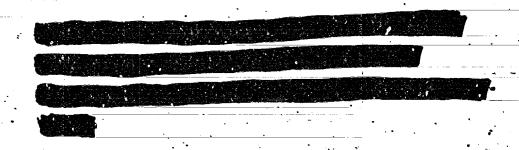
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AROUND MID-JUNE-1971 AT ABOUT 8988 HOURS.

BRIEFLY 03SERVED TWO U.S. PRISONERS OF WAR-(POWS)

ON THE 559TH COMMO-LIAISON LINE: AT AN UNKNOWN LOCATION IN

THE TRUONG SON MOUNTAINS. LAOS. WAS INFILTRATING SOUTH

VIETNAM AT THE TIME AND THE POWS WERE HEADED IN THE DIRECTION

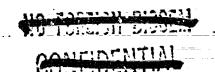
OF NORTH VIETNAM.

2. THE POWS WERE ESCORTED BY THREE GUARDS WHO HERE WEARING BLACK UNIFORMS AND WERE ARMED WITH K-54 PISTOLS.

30TH POWS APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 26 YEARS OLD, HERE ABOUT 1.800 METERS TALL, HEIGHED 85 KILOS, HAD LIGHT TAN COMPLEXIONS.

HAD MUSTACHES: AND APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH, ONE PRISONER HAD A ROUND FACE AND THE OTHER A LONG FACE WITH A SHARP CHIN, THE POWS WERE HEARING BLACK PAJAMA SHIRTS AND BLACK SHORTS. THEY WERE BAREFOOTED AND THEIR HANDS SERE TIED IN FRONT-OF THEM HITH A ROPE ABOUT HALF A METER

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LONG. NOTICED THAT—THE PONS WERE TALKING TO EACH

OTHER IN LOW VOICES AND THEIR GUARDS DID NOT SEEM TO MIND.

GROUP OF ABOUT 15 SICK AND MOUNDED NORTH VISTNAMESE

SOLDIERS, ESCORTED BY THO UNARMED COMMODITATION AGENTS.

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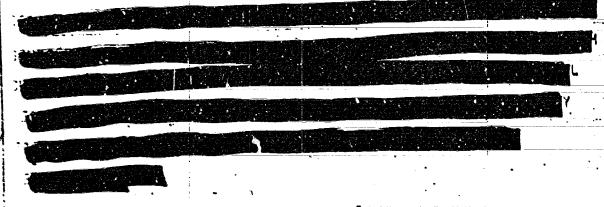
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