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SUMMARY. VIET CONG /VC/ INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE HANDLING OF PRISONERS OF WAR IN DINH TUONG PROVINCE CALLED FOR IMMEDIATE SEARCH OF PRISONERS FOR DOCUMENTS AND WEAPONS AND TRANSFER FROM SQUAD TO COMPANY LEVEL FOR EVACUATION. PRISONERS WERE TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE NEAREST LOCAL ORGANIZATION WITH ADEQUATE CONFINEMENT FACILITIES. AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE SENT TO NORTH VIETNAM. IN APRIL 1967 SIX GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM PRISONERS WERE CONFINED IN CAI LAY DISTRICT, DINH TUONG PROVINCE, AND IN

JUNE 33 U.S. PRISONERS WERE SEEN IMPRISONED IN CAI BE DISTRICT. END SUMMARY.

THE 263RD VIET CONG /VC/ BATTALION ORGANIZED A REORIENTATION AND TRAINING COURSE DURING A TEMPORARY STOP AT THE CANAL 28 AREA IN CAI BE DISTRICT, DINH TUONG PROVINCE, PART OF WHICH DEALT WITH PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING PRISONERS OF WAR. THE VC DIVIDED PRISONERS INTO THE THREE CATEGORIES-- U.S PRISONERS, KOREAN PRISONERS AND GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM /GVN/ PRISONERS.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER CAPTURING ENEMY PERSONNEL IN AN ENGAGEMENT, THE VC WERE TO SEARCH THEM FOR DOCUMENTS AND WEAPONS AND THEN TIE AND BLINDFOLD THEM. THE VC WERE INSTRUCTED NOT TO KILL OR MISTREAT

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PRISONERS, NOT TO CONFISCATE THEIR PROPERTY AND TO ADOPT A FRIENDLY MANNER. EACH VC CADRE AND SOLDIER WAS GIVEN A PAMPHLET CONTAINING 36 ENGLISH WORDS WHICH COULD BE USED TO GIVE ORDERS DURING THE EVACUATION OF A PRISONER. MOST OF THE TROOPS DID NOT MEMORIZE THEM, ALTHOUGH THEY WERE TAUGHT THE PROPER PRONUNCIATIONS AND ENCOURAGED TO STUDY.

2. PRISONERS TAKEN BY THE VC WERE TRANSFERRED FROM SQUAD TO COMPANY LEVEL, WHERE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR EVACUATION WAS ASSUMED BY THE RECONNAISSANCE TEAM BECAUSE ITS MEMBERS WERE WELL TRAINED IN THE HANDLING OF THIS KIND OF OPERATION. BATTALION ORDERS SPECIFIED THAT PRISONERS SHOULD BE TURNED OVER TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR INTERROGATION AND CONFINEMENT- THESE LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS COULD BE AT VILLAGE, DISTRICT OR PROVINCE LEVEL. EVACUATION OF PRISONERS FROM A MILITARY TO A LOCAL UNIT DEPENDED ON OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA. THE NEAREST ORGANIZATION WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR RECEIVING ANY PRISONERS, ALTHOUGH MOST LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS DID NOT HAVE ADEQUATE JAILS. AS A RESULT, MOST PRISONERS WERE SENT TO HIGHER LEVELS WHICH HAD CONFINEMENT FACILITIES. AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE SENT TO NORTH VIETNAM AFTER CAPTURE. [REDACTED] COMMENT-- THE BATTALION POLITICAL

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OFFICER TOLD THE TROOPS THAT THE AMERICAN PRISONERS WERE USED TO DEMONSTRATE AMERICAN AGGRESSION BEFORE WORLD PUBLIC OPINION.

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3. VC IN APRIL 1967 SIX CAPTIVES WERE CONFINED IN HAMLET 15 OF ONG TRUNG VILLAGE, (CAI LAY) DISTRICT, DINH TUONG PROVINCE. LOCAL VC CADRES SAID THAT THESE CAPTIVES WERE GVN POLICEMEN AND

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INTELLIGENCE AGENTS. THIRTY-THREE U.S. COMMANDOS WERE IMPRISONED IN HAU MY VILLAGE, (CAI BE) DISTRICT, /IN JUNE 1967. THEY HAD BEEN CAPTURED AFTER A BATTLE IN THE GIUA CANAL AREA OF CAI BE DISTRICT, DINH TUONG PROVINCE.

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