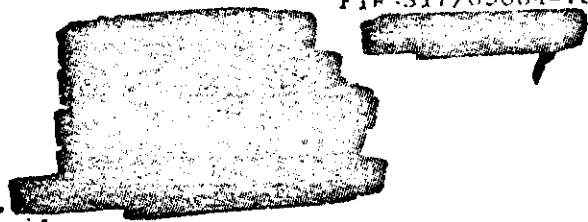


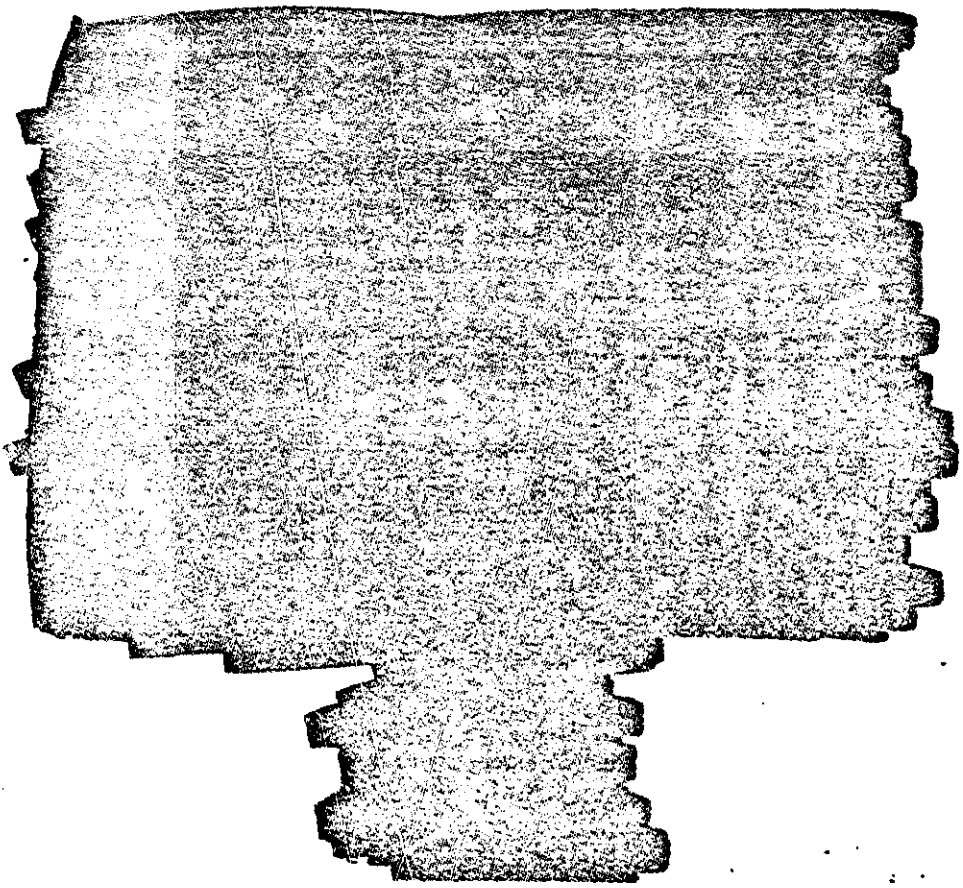
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COUNTRY CAMBODIA  
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SUBJECT SIGHTING OF A U.S. PRISONER OF WAR IN SVAY RIENG  
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1. AT ABOUT 1100 HOURS ONE DAY IN LATE MAY 1969, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WHILE STATIONED NEAR KHSEBEK VILLAGE (WT961697), ROMEAS HEK DISTRICT, SVAY RIENG PROVINCE, CAMBODIA, SAW A WOUNDED U.S. PRISONER OF WAR (POW). THE POW WAS BEING CARRIED ON A CANVAS HAMMOCK BY TWO NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY (NVA) SOLDIERS AND ESCORTED BY A 12-MAN TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT ARMED WITH FOUR AK-47 ASSAULT RIFLES. THEY CAME FROM THE DIRECTION OF PHUOC NINH DISTRICT, TAY NINH PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM, AND WERE HEADED NORTH TOWARD THE K-9-COMMO-LIAISON STATION, ROMEAS HEK DISTRICT, LOCATED NEAR THE FOUR-BORDER AREA OF SVAY RIENG, PREY VENG, AND KOMPONG CHAM PROVINCES, CAMBODIA, AND TAY NINH PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM. THE ESCORT GUARDS SAID THE POW WAS CAPTURED IN TAY NINH PROVINCE. HE WAS WOUNDED NEAR HIS RIGHT ARMPIT AND WAS UNABLE TO WALK.

2. [REDACTED] SAW THE POW FROM A DISTANCE OF ABOUT 30 METERS FOR ABOUT FIVE MINUTES. THE POW WAS A CAUCASIAN, ABOUT 25 YEARS OLD, ABOUT 1.80 TO 1.90 METERS TALL, AND WEIGHED ABOUT 100 KILOGRAMS. HE HAD A LARGE BUILD, SHORT WAVY BLOND HAIR, A