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DEFENSE INFORMATION REPORT EVALUATION			INSTRUCTIONS: To be completed by Typewriter or Ball Point Pen		
CUSTOMER NUMBER B390	IR NUMBER [REDACTED]	COLLECTION PROJECT NUMBER [REDACTED]	IR DATE YEAR MONTH DAY 7 4 0 5 1 8		
TO: [REDACTED]	ICR NUMBER/OTHER REFERENCE [REDACTED]	SOURCE NUMBER VC Railier	DATE RECD BY DISSEMINATION ACTIVITY YEAR MONTH DAY 7 4 0 5 2 1		
THRU: [REDACTED]	IR CODE(S) [REDACTED]	TARGET COUNTRY DESI VS	DATE RECEIVED BY EVALUATOR YEAR MONTH DAY 7 4 0 5 2 1		
REASON FOR EVALUATION 1. ☐ ICR 2. ☐ COLLECTOR'S REQUEST		3. ☐ SELECTED BY COL MGR 4. ☐ SPECIAL REQUEST 5. ☒ ANALYST INITIATIVE	IR ORIGINATOR USDAO Saigon RVN		
A. IR RESPONDED TO 1. ☐ DIRM Part Three 2. ☐ CIR 3. ☐ ICR - If checked, ICR was satisfied a. ☐ Completely b. ☒ Partially (If b or c checked, include Guidance in Remarks Section) c. ☐ Not at All 4. ☐ Other		B. RELIABILITY OF INFORMATION 1. ☐ Confirmed by other sources 2. ☐ Substantially true 3. ☒ Cannot be judged 4. ☐ Doubtful 5. ☐ False		C. VALUE OF INFORMATION 1. ☐ High (Unique, Timely, and of Major Significance) 2. ☐ Moderate (Contributory and Useful) 3. ☒ Low (Marginal) 4. ☐ None (Of no use) 5. ☐ Cannot be judged (Analyst has no basis for value judgment)	
D. USABILITY OF INFORMATION 1. ☐ Used or planned for use in product a. ☐ Basic Intelligence b. ☐ Current Intelligence c. ☐ Estimative Intelligence d. ☐ Other 2. ☐ Incorporated in Data Base a. ☐ Potentially Useful b. ☒ Background/Confirmatory 3. ☐ Stimulus for Intelligence Guidance or Requirement		E. VALUE OF INFORMATION 1. ☐ Not Used (All responses require explanation in Remarks Section) a. ☐ Unreliable b. ☐ Too Preliminary c. ☐ Duplicated d. ☐ Not Pertinent to Needs			
NAME OF PRODUCT: [REDACTED]					
REMARKS (Number and Classify each Paragraph) (U) No Army personnel who come close to matching the general physical description provided by source were lost in Hau Nghia Province. However, there are some possibilities who were lost in adjoining areas and who, if captured, would have been moved to northern Tay Ninh or adjoining Cambodia border areas as a matter of enemy policy. One of these possibilities is CPT Dale W. Richardson, USA, a name phonetically similar to that provided by source. CPT Richardson and seven other Army personnel were aboard a helicopter that was hit by enemy fire and was forced to land near the Tay Ninh Province/Cambodia border on 2 May 70. After landing, all aboard dispersed in search of cover. One man successfully evaded to U.S. control; four were captured, and the remaining three are unaccounted for. According to [REDACTED] a name who evaded the enemy ordered the crew to surrender or [REDACTED] some balked at the order the enemy opened fire into their landing zone. This individual saw one body dragged from a bush. One [REDACTED] a top secret document in his possession, which was later shown to one of the captured men. Thus, the possibility of Richardson being considered an intelligence officer by the enemy would have been [REDACTED] real. CPT Richardson's physical statistics were 5'10", 155 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, and 29 years old. (U) One of the other unaccounted-for personnel involved in this					
EVALUATOR'S RELEASE AND DISCLOSURE GUIDANCE 1. ☐ Paragraph(s) [REDACTED] - born are releasable to the government of [REDACTED] 2. ☐ Evaluation is Not Releasable 3. ☒ Releasable Evaluation Not Requested					
EVALUATOR'S ORGANIZATION [REDACTED]	NAME OF EVALUATOR [REDACTED]	DISSEMINATION TO DECLASSIFICATION DECISIONS [REDACTED] SUBJECT TO GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION POLICY OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652 AUTOMATICALLY DECLASSIFIED AT TWO			
DATE EVALUATED [REDACTED]	SIGNATURE OF APPROVING AUTHORITY [REDACTED]				

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incident, SP4 R. L. Griffin, more closely resembles the physical stature of the alleged PW. SP4 Griffin was 5'9", 134 lbs., had brown hair and eyes, and was 21 years old.

(C) The four who were captured in the 2 May 70 helicopter incident were led to a nearby PW camp where they joined an existing group of U.S. PWs. Grouping of PWs was standard enemy policy in South Vietnam. Undoubtedly, if CPT Richardson or SP4 Griffin had survived, he also would have joined this group.

(U) Based on his small build and the time and place of his loss, one other individual, PFC R. P. Phillips, is also a possibility. PFC Phillips and two companions were ambushed on 23 Jun 70 in Binh Duong Province while riding in a jeep. There is intelligence indicating PFC Phillips and one of his companions were captured. PFC Phillips was almost 21 years old at the time; he was 157 lbs., 5'9", with brown hair and eyes.

(U) One aspect of the physical description provided by source which is not typical appearance for a PW is the shoulder length hair, beard, and moustache. If the source is accurate concerning his sighting date, this physical appearance alone would eliminate the above-mentioned men because of the short time between their capture and the sighting date.

(C) The physical appearance and rumored desire of the American to stay with the VC indicate the American probably was a deserter or collaborator rather than a PW, if the information is true at all.

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1. COUNTRY: CAMBODIA		6. REPORT NUMBER: 1 516 0023 72 (8800-05-6)	
2. SUBJECT: (U) Sighting of two US PWs Near STONG TRUNG City (Prisoner of War Report)		7. DATE OF REPORT: 25 January 1972	
3. ISC NUMBER: 723.600		8. NO. OF PAGES: 4	
4. DATE OF INFORMATION: [REDACTED]		9. REFERENCE: BRIGHT LIGHT SCP, 50(1)	
5. PLACE AND DATE OF AC: [REDACTED]		10. ORIGINATOR: DIRM: 603 MAP and M501 (See Comments) HQ, JUSCART (JAN 72) [REDACTED]	
6. EVALUATION: SOURCE		11. PREPARED BY: [REDACTED]	
7. SOURCE: Rallier [REDACTED]		12. APPROVED BY: [REDACTED]	
13. SUMMARY: This report contains information concerning the sighting of two US PWs in May 1970 on the north shore of the TONLE SAN River opposite STONG TRUNG City, which is in the vic of 1330N/10600E, (N13), Cambodia. Included is a physical description of the PWs.			
14. SOURCE DESCRIPTION 1. for The information in this report was obtained through an interview of a NVA rallier conducted by a [REDACTED] Source was born [REDACTED]			
15. DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION: DIA, CINCPAC, CINCPACFLT, USARPAC, PACAF, USA 304, 7TH AF/HI/DO, XXIV CORPS, COMNAVFORV H202/H204, MAOV 321/322/323/324/327/33, 1 FTV, 11 FTV, DMAG, FICPAC, PEO, DOD/PBO, OUSARPAC, USARPAC, 7TH PSYOPGP, 1127TH FAO JPRC, 500 MIG (SD) & CAS VIENT, CAMBODIA		17. DECLASSIFICATION DATA: GROUP III DOWNGRADED AT 12 YEAR INTERVALS NOT AUTOMATICALLY DECLASSIFIED	
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CONTINUATION SHEET				REPORT NO. PAGE 2 OF 2														
<u>SIGHTING OF TWO US PWs NEAR STUNG TRENG CITY</u> 2. <u>1st</u> [redacted] In <u>May 1978</u> (date or part of month unknown) [redacted] arrived at the TONLE SAN River. At this time, Source's group was moving south, and STUNG TRENG City, which was located in the vic of 133N/10600E (WIS), Cambodia, was directly across the river from them, on the south shore. [redacted] were resting near the bank of the river, [redacted] two Cambodians and three NVA soldiers on the opposite bank, preparing to ford the stream. [redacted] there was no bridge or ferry across the river. However, at that time of year, the water was only waist high. [redacted] they crossed the river and for about five minutes after they arrived at the north shore. [redacted] Cambodians or their escort. [redacted] the Cambodians were prisoners because they had their arms tied behind their backs. [redacted] one of the prisoners was an American lieutenant because he had a single black bar on the lapels of his shirt. [redacted] that the other Cambodian was an American also, because he was wearing olive drab pants and canvas jungle boots similar to the lieutenant's (further described below). 3. <u>(b)</u> <u>PW Descriptions:</u> The following are descriptions of the US PWs. [redacted] the PWs for approx half an hour. The closest he got to them was approx five meters. [redacted] description of the interrogator is provided for comparison. <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>PW No 1</u></td> <td><u>PW No 2</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Name: Unknown</td> <td>Unknown</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rank: Lieutenant (hearsay)</td> <td>Unknown</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Branch of Service: Army (Collector's)</td> <td>Unknown</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> Comment: Source said that the PW belonged to the Army because the writing above the PW's left breast pocket contained the same letters he saw on the shirts of US Army personnel after he had rallied). </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nationality: American (hearsay)</td> <td>American (assumption)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Height: 2.00 meters</td> <td>2.10 meters</td> </tr> </table> 					<u>PW No 1</u>	<u>PW No 2</u>	Name: Unknown	Unknown	Rank: Lieutenant (hearsay)	Unknown	Branch of Service: Army (Collector's)	Unknown	Comment: Source said that the PW belonged to the Army because the writing above the PW's left breast pocket contained the same letters he saw on the shirts of US Army personnel after he had rallied).		Nationality: American (hearsay)	American (assumption)	Height: 2.00 meters	2.10 meters
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Height: 2.00 meters	2.10 meters																	

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(Classification and Control Markings)

REPLACES AF FORM 112, 22 JUL 64 WHICH MAY BE USED UNTIL 1 JAN 65. GPO : 1964 O-222-600

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CONTINUATION SHEET		(Classification and Control Markings)
PW No 1	PW No 2	
Weight: 90 kilograms	100 kilograms	
Hair: Blonde	Reddish brown	
Eyes: Unrecalled	Blue	
Race: Caucasian	Caucasian	
Complexion: Ruddy	Fair	
Hair Length: Short, balding in front, short sideburns	Long, swept back on the sides, sideburns extending two to three centimeters below the level of the bottom of the ear.	
Nose: Unrecalled	Thin, long	
Shape of Face: Round, fat	Long, oval	
Tattoos: None recalled	Blue tattoo on the top of left forearm. The tattoo consisted of letters only, which were arranged in a crescent-shaped pattern (NFI).	
Scars: None recalled	None recalled	
Birthmarks: None recalled	None recalled	
Age: 35	36-37	
Clothing: Olive green fatigue shirt and pants, canvas jungle boots.	White shirt, olive drab fatigue pants, canvas jungle boots	
Insignia: One black colored bar on each shirt lapel. There was a shield-shaped patch with two crossed wings or feathers with an upright sword in its center on the PW's left sleeve near the shoulder.		
Jewelry: Wrist watch with silver band, gold body and white colored face.	Heavy gold ring with round stone mounted in the center, silver colored wrist watch with black colored face and brown leather band.	
Physical Condition: Did not appear to be injured	Did not appear to be injured	
INTERROGATOR		
	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL
Name:	Unknown	
Height:	1.90 meters	1.80 meters

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REPLACE AF FORM 1154, APR 61 WHICH MAY BE USED UNTIL 1 JAN 62. GPO : 1961 O-700-02

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CONTINUATION SHEET		Physical Characteristics and General Appearance	
	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	Remarks
Weight:	90 kilograms	78 kilograms	
Hair:	Blonde	Blonde	
Hair Length:	Short	Short	
Nose:	Long, straight	Long, straight	
Shape of Face:	Oval	Oval	
Tattoos:	None	None	
Birthmarks:	None	None	
Build:	Medium	Medium	
Age:	30-35	32	

from JPHO Photographs of Missing and Captured Personnel in SEA, 12 September 1971. [redacted] that PW No 1 had the same shape face and receding hairline as the individual depicted in picture No 1102. However, the PW's eyes were very similar to the individual's in picture No 1251. PW No 2 looked very similar in appearance to the individual in picture No 1899, but the PW appeared to be younger.

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