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REFERENCES.

- A. MESSAGE CDR JPAC HICKAM AFB HI 152339Z APR 15; SUBJECT: EXCAVATION SUMMARY REPORT OF LKA CASE 1998 (SITE CB 00205) CONDUCTED DURING JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY 15-1CB (49TH JFA).
- B. MESSAGE JPAC ANNEX CAMP SMITH HI(UC) 132339Z Mar 08; SUBJECT: EXCAVATION SUMMARY REPORT OF CASE 1998 (SITES CB-00176, CB-00140, AND CB 00196) CONDUCTED DURING JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY 08-2CB IN THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA.
- C. REPORT JPAC CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY RECOVERY LEADER HICKAM AFB HI DATED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008; TITLE: SEARCH AND RECOVERY REPORT CIL 2008 018, THREE ALLEGED BURIAL SITES ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 1998, KOH TANG (TANG ISLAND), KOH TANG DISTRICT, KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA, 16 JANUARY THROUGH 26 FEBRUARY 2008.
- D. REPORT JPAC CENTRAL IDENTIFICATION LABORATORY RECOVERY LEADER HICKAM AFB HI DATED 25 NOVEMBER 2013; REPORT: JPAC SITE SURVEY INFORMATION (CIL FORM 2009), FOR REFNO 1998, KOH TANG (TANG ISLAND), KOH TANG DISTRICT, KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA, JFA 13-1CB, 6-7 SEPTEMBER 2013.
- E. MAP DATA: NAME: KAMPOT; SHEET: NC 48-5; SERIES: 1501 AIR; EDITION: 4; DATUM: INDIAN THAILAND; SCALE: 1:250,000.
- 1. CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS: LKA CASE 1998 INVOLVES THE 15 MAY 1975 LOSS OF THREE MARINES LEFT BEHIND DURING THE WITHDRAWAL FROM KOH TANG DURING THE SS MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT, RESULTING IN THREE UNACCOUNTED-FOR AMERICANS.
- 2. SITE LOCATION:
  - A . (b)(5); (b)(6)

- B (b)(5); (b)(6)
- WITH AN ESTIMATED POSITIONAL ERROR (EPE) OF +/-3 METERS TRACKING NINE SATELLITES.
  - C. ELEVATION: ONE METER.
- 3. SUMMARY OF EXCAVATION:
- FROM 19 JANUARY THROUGH 21 FEBRUARY 2015, DURING JFA 15-1CB, RECOVERY TEAM 1 (RT1) EXCAVATED A BURIAL SITE ASSOCIATED WITH LKA CASE 1998 ON KOH TANG, KOH TANG DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, K.O.C. RT1 EXCAVATED 1 M WIDE TRENCHES WITHIN A 1,424 SQUARE M AREA TO AN AVERAGE DEPTH OF 60 CM. RT1 LOCATED A GRAVE AND RECOVERED MATERIAL EVIDENCE EXCLUSIVELY CORRELATED TO LKA CASE 1998 INDIVIDUAL GARY HALL INCLUDING ONE OF HIS IDENTIFICATION (ID) TAGS AND IDENTIFICATION CARDS. UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL(S) REMOVED ALL OSSEOUS AND HUMAN REMAINS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GRAVE. ON 21 FEBRUARY 2015 THE RECOVERY LEADER (RL) CLOSED THE LKA CASE 1998 BURIAL SITE AREA (SITE CB-00205) AND RECOMMENDED NO FURTHER EXCAVATION. ON 23 MARCH 2015, THE DPAA-LABORATORY RECEIVED THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE AND ASSIGNED IT ACCESSION NUMBER 2015-048. THE DETAILED DPAA-LABORATORY SEARCH AND RECOVERY REPORT NUMBER IS 2015-048-R. THE SITE STATUS IS NOW: CLOSED-ARTIFACTS. RECOMMEND INVESTIGATING THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE REMAINS.
- B. THIS REPORT CORRECTS THE YEAR OF THE EXCAVATION IN PARAGRAPH 3. SUMMARY OF EXCAVATION; SUBPARAGRAPH A.; FROM 19 JANUARY THROUGH 21 FEBRUARY 2014 TO "FROM 19 JANUARY THROUGH 21 FEBRUARY 2015" AND FROM 21 FEBRUARY 2014 THE RECOVERY LEADER. TO "FROM 21 FEBRUARY 2015 THE RECOVERY LEADER."
- 4. MATERIAL EVIDENCE:
  - A. RT1 RECOVERED AND RETAINED THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL EFFECTS:
    - (1) ONE WALLET INSERT CONTAINING:
      - (A) A U.S. MILITARY ID CARD
      - (B) SOCIAL SECURITY CARD
      - (C) BANK CARD
    - (2) ONE ID TAG BELONGING TO GARY HALL (LKA 1998-1-01).
  - B. RT1 RECOVERED AND RETAINED THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL EVIDENCE:
    - (1) KEY PORTIONS
    - (2) BALL-LINK CHAIN PORTIONS
    - (3) BOOT SOLES
    - (4) SOCKS
    - (5) BUCKLE
    - (6) ROPE PORTION
    - (7) FABRIC PORTIONS
    - (8) 4-HOLE SEWING BUTTONS, N=15
  - C. LIFE SUPPORT INVESTIGATOR COMMENTS: NONE.
- 5. EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) TECHNICIAN COMMENTS:
- A. UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE (UXO) RECOVERED DURING JFA 15-1CB: THE TEAM PHOTOGRAPHED BUT DID NOT RETAIN ONE FIRED 40 MM ROUND
  - B. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ROUND?

- 6. WITNESS STATEMENTS: THE TEAM INTERVIEWED THREE WITNESSES WHO PROVIDED INFORMATION PERTAINING TO LKA CASE 1998:
  - A. WITNESS ONE:
    - (1) NAME: (b)(6)
    - (2) AGE: 61.
- (3) CURRENT RESIDENCE AND LENGTH OF TIME THERE: STUNG CHHAY VILLAGE, BUNG PREAV COMMUNE, SRE AMBEL DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, 17 YEARS.
  - (4) CURRENT OCCUPATION: FARMER.
  - (5) OCCUPATION AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KHMER SOLDIER.
- (6) RESIDENCE AT TIME OF INCIDENT: ASSIGNED TO KOH TANG IN CHARGE OF A SQUAD-SIZED ELEMENT IN THE 386TH BATTALION.
- (7) BACKGROUND: PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED FIVE TIMES, THREE TIMES AT THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PHNOM PENH, ONCE DURING JFA 06-3CB IN SEPTEMBER 2006 AND ON-SITE DURING THE JFA 08-2CB RECOVERY EXCAVATIONS. FOLLOWING THE DISCOVERY OF THE GRAVE OF LKA CASE 1998 INDIVIDUAL GARY HALL DURING THE JFA 15-1CB, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT HAD VERY ACCURATE GRAVE LOCATION INFORMATION.
  - (8) STATEMENT:
- (A) (b)(6) ARRIVED ON KOH TANG ABOUT ONE WEEK BEFORE THE BATTLE WITH THE U.S. MARINES. (b)(6) WAS STATIONED ON THE NORTHERN PENINSULA ON THE ISLAND AND WAS IN CHARGE OF A SQUAD OF 12 SOLDIERS. (b)(6) POSITION WAS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 20 METERS FROM THE EASTERN BEACH, WHICH WAS ABOUT A TEN MINUTES WALK FROM THE OPEN FIELD TO THE SOUTH. (ANALYST'S NOTE: (b)(6) NOTED THAT HE USED A TARP AS A COVERING WHICH HE REFERRED TO AS HIS "HOUSE" DURING THE INTERVIEW). ON THE DAY OF THE FIGHTING, (b)(6) WAS ABLE TO SEE DOWN TO THE BEACH AND SAW TWO AMERICAN BODIES LYING IN THE SURF. THE BODIES ROLLED UP AND DOWN THE BEACH WITH THE TIDE OVER THE COURSE OF THREE DAYS. THE DAY AFTER THE BATTLE, (b)(6) TRAVELED DOWN TO THE BEACH AND OBSERVED TWO DOWNED HELICOPTERS IN THE SHALLOW WATER. HE SAW AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF BODIES IN THE "BURNT HELICOPTER" (CASE 2003, KNIFE 31) (REF A).
- (B) THREE DAYS AFTER THE INCIDENT, (b)(6) WITNESSED THE KILLING OF AN AMERICAN WHO WAS ATTEMPTING TO SURRENDER TO KHMER ROUGE FORCES AT HIS LOCATION. THE AMERICAN APPROACHED A SOLDIER AT ON THE SOUTHERN END OF THE EAST BEACH AT APPROXIMATELY 0830 HOURS. THE AMERICAN HAD AN M-16 SLUNG ACROSS HIS BACK AND POINTED DOWN. THE AMERICAN WAS APPROXIMATELY 175 CM TALL, UNSHAVEN, WITH SHORT CUT HAIR. THE AMERICAN'S APPROACH STARTLED THE KHMER SOLDIER NAMED WHO SHOT THE AMERICAN DIRECTLY IN THE CHEST WITH A 40 MM ROUND FROM AN M-79 GRENADE LAUNCHER. THE IMPACT KILLED THE AMERICAN ALTHOUGH THE GRENADE DID NOT DETONATE. KHMER ROUGE FORCES THEN TOOK THE AMERICAN'S WEAPON AND FLAK VEST. TWO KHMER SOLDIERS BURIED THE AMERICAN INSIDE THE TREE LINE TO THE SOUTH OF HIS LOCATION. (b)(6) CONFIRMED THAT HE DID NOT SEE THE ACTUAL BURIAL OF THE AMERICAN, BUT HE COULD HEAR THE TWO SOLDIERS DIGGING AND TALKING WHILE THEY BURIED

THE BODY. (b)(6) BELIEVED THAT THE BURIAL LOCATION COULD HAVE BEEN NO FARTHER THAN 30 M SOUTH OF HIS POSITION. ONLY TWO HOURS AFTER THE INCIDENT, (b)(6) WAS TRANSFERRED TO PAULO WAI ISLAND (REF A).

(C) FOLLOWING THE DISCOVERY OF GARY HALLS GRAVE BY RT1
DURING JFA 15-1CB, (D)(6) WAS BROUGHT BACK TO THE SITE TO DETERMINE
IF HE COULD ASSIST IN LOCATING THE REMAINS THAT HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM
THE GRAVE. ON 10 MARCH 2015 MR. LUK AN STATED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW
WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING THE REMAINS, AND HAD NO
RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO HOW LOCATE THE REMAINS.

# B. WITNESS TWO:

- (1) NAME: (b)(6)
- (2) AGE: 71.
- (3) CURRENT RESIDENCE: KOMPONG SPEU PROVINCE.
- (4) CURRENT OCCUPATION: FARMER.
- (5) OCCUPATION AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KHMER ROUGE SOLDIER.
- (6) RESIDENCE AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KOH TANG.
- (7) BACKGROUND: JOINT TEAM RE-INTERVIEWED (b)(6)

  (WITNESS THREE) AND (b)(6)

  ON SITE DURING JFA 15-1CB.

  FOLLOWING THE EXCAVATION OF SITE CB-00205 OUTLINED BY THEM DURING JFA 13-1CB, RT1 BROUGHT BACK (b)(6)

  TO THE SITE ON 9 FEBRUARY 2015

  AFTER RT1 FAILED TO LOCATE A GRAVE WITHIN A 30-X-30-M AREA PREVIOUSLY OUTLINED BY HIM.
- (8) STATEMENT: (b)(6) RECALLED A 1 M-WIDE STREAM THAT RAN TO THE OCEAN. HE PLACED PIN FLAGS ON THE ALLEGED STREAM ALIGNMENT, WHICH IS NO LONGER VISIBLE, AND STATED THAT THE BURIAL OF THE AMERICAN OCCURRED IN THE EASTERN SIDEWALL OF THE STREAM APPROXIMATELY 30 M FROM THE OCEAN. A 40MM GRENADE KILLED THE AMERICAN AND HE WAS BURIED ABOUT 40 CM DEEP.
  - (C) WITNESS THREE:
    - (1) NAME: (b)(6)
    - (2) AGE: 60.
    - (3) CURRENT RESIDENCE: MALAY DISTRICT, PANTEAYEHEY PROVINCE.
    - (4) CURRENT OCCUPATION: POLICEMAN.
    - (5) OCCUPATION AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KHMER SOLDIER.
    - (6) RESIDENCE AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KOH TANG.
    - (7) BACKGROUND: RT1 RE-INTERVIEWED (b)(6)

(WITNESS TWO) ON SITE DURING JFA 15-1CB. FOLLOWING THE RT1 EXCAVATION OF SITE CB-00205A PREVIOUSLY OUTLINED BY THEM ON JFA 13 1CB, RT1 BROUGHT BACK (6)(6) TO THE SITE ON 9 FEBRUARY 2015 AFTER RT1 FAILED TO LOCATE A GRAVE WITHIN A 30-X-30-M AREA PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED BY THEM. (6)(6) STATEMENT WAS CONSISTENT WITH THOSE MADE BY (6)(6)

(8) STATEMENT: (b)(6) RECALLED THE 1 M-WIDE STREAM THAT RAN TO THE OCEAN. HE AND (b)(6) PLACED PIN FLAGS ON THE ALLEGED STREAM ALIGNMENT AND STATED THAT THE BURIAL OF THE AMERICAN OCCURRED IN THE EASTERN SIDEWALL OF THE STREAM APPROXIMATELY 30 M FROM THE OCEAN. A 40MM ROUND KILLED THE AMERICAN AND HE WAS BURIED ABOUT 40

CM DEEP.

6. REPORT WRITERS:

A. (b)(6) DPAA, RECOVERY LEADER/ANTHROPOLOGIST.

B. (b)(6) USMC (AUGMENTEE), EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE

DISPOSAL (EOD) TECHNICIAN.

C. (b)(6) DPAA, LIFE SUPPORT INVESTIGATOR.//

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RMKS/1. REFERENCES:

- A. REF A IS THE SUMMARY REPORT OF JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY (JFA) 99-1C CONDUCTED IN THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA (KOC) FROM 07 MARCH THROUGH 06 APRIL 1999.
- B. REF B IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REPORT (AIR) 991C-001 CONCERNING CASE 1998 OBTAINED DURING JFA 99-1C.
- C. MAP DATA: NAME: KOMPONG SAOM; SHEET: 5730-III; EDITION: 3-DMA; SERIES: L7016; SCALE: 1:50,000; HORIZONTAL DATUM: WORLD GEODETIC SYSTEM 1984.
- 2. SUMMARY OF EXCAVATION.

A. CASE 1998: FROM 23 MARCH THROUGH 04 APRIL 1999, DURING JFA 99-1C, RECOVERY ELEMENT ONE (RE1) EXCAVATED TWO SITES POSSIBLY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1998 IN KAMPONG SOM DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA (KOC). THE SITES ARE HEREIN DESIGNATED 1998A AND 1998B. RE1 EXCAVATED APPROXIMATELY 406 SQUARE METERS. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST CLOSED SITE 1998A ON 29 MARCH 1999 AND SUSPENDED OPERATIONS AT 1998B ON 4 APRIL 1999 DUE TO THE NEED FOR SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT FOR EXCAVATING A WET SITE. RE1 RECOVERED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS AT SITE 1998A AND SITE 1998B. RE1 RECOVERED POSSIBLE MATERIAL EVIDENCE AT SITE 1998A. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST RECOMMENDS FURTHER EXCAVATION OF SITE 1998B.

**B. TEAM COMPOSITION:** 

(1) U.S. CONTINGENT:

(b)(6)	TEAM LEADER
	ASSISTANT TEAM LEADER
(b)(6)	ANTHROPOLOGIST
	MORTUARY AFFAIRS SPECIALIST
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	TEAM MEDIC
(b)(6)	EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL
	(EOD) TECHNICIAN
(b)(6)	EOD TECHNICIAN
	LINGUIST
	TEAM PHOTOGRAPHER
	(2) CAMBODIAN CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CONTINGENT:
(b)(6)	TEAM LEADER/MINISTRY OF
	INTERIOR
(b)(6)	TEAM MEMBER/MINISTRY OF

# INTERIOR

# 3. BACKGROUND.

- A. ON 15 MAY 1975, A THREE MAN USMC MACHINE GUN TEAM WAS TAKING PART IN A MISSION ON KOH (CAMBODIAN WORD FOR ISLAND) TANG (ISLAND), CAMBODIA, TO RESCUE THE CREW OF THE U.S. CONTAINER SHIP MAYAGUEZ. AFTER ALL FORCES HAD WITHDRAWN FROM THE ISLAND IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT THE THREE MARINES WERE MISSING. DUE TO THE HOSTILE SITUATION ON THE ISLAND, NO SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED FOR THE MISSING MEN.
- B. ON 9 AND 10 MARCH 1999, A JOINT TEAM INTERVIEWED ONE WITNESS CONCERNING TWO AMERICANS, POSSIBLY ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 1998, WHO WERE BURIED ON THE KOC MAINLAND IN THE VICINITY OF SIHANOUKVILLE, AT (b)(5); (b)(6) (SITE 1998A) AND AT US (D)(5); (SITE 1998B), RESPECTIVELY (REF B).
- 4. PROJECT LOCATIONS.
- A. VICINITY OF VICINITY OF SIHANOUKVILLE, KAMPONG SOM DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, KOC.
- B. GRID COORDINATES: THE SITE 1998A PROJECT LOCATION IS AT (b)(5); (b)(6) AND THE SITE 1998B PROJECT LOCATION IS AT (b)(5); (b)(6) AS DETERMINED BY A GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS) RECEIVER TRACKING FIVE SATELLITES ON THE INDIAN SPECIAL DATUM.
- C. MAP: NAME: KOMPONG SAOM; SHEET: 5730-III; EDITION: 3-DMA; SERIES: L7016; SCALE: 1:50,000; HORIZONTAL DATUM: WORLD GEODETIC SYSTEM 1984.
- 5. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AREA:
- A. THE PROJECT AREA ASSOCIATED WITH SITE 1998A IS LOCATED ON THE GROUNDS OF THE VICTORYSIDE HOTEL IN SIHANOUKVILLE, KOH KONG PROVINCE, KOC. THE HOTEL GROUNDS ARE SLOPING FROM AN ADJACENT ASPHALT ROAD ON THE EAST SIDE TO KAMPONG SOM BAY ON THE WEST SIDE. THE SLOPE IS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY DEGREES. THE PROJECT AREA IS GENERALLY LOCATED IN THAT PART OF THE HOTEL GROUNDS WHICH IS BOUNDED ON THE NORTH SIDE BY A BROAD SIDEWALK LEADING FROM THE ROAD TO THE FRONT DOORS, ON THE EAST SIDE BY THE ROAD, ON THE SOUTH SIDE BY A LINE OF COCONUT TREES, AND ON THE WEST SIDE BY A STONE RETAINING WALL RUNNING IN A STRAIGHT LINE PARALLEL TO THE KAMPONG SOM BAY SHORELINE. THE HOTEL GROUNDS EXHIBITED A DEGREE OF NEGLECT WHEN THE PROJECT WAS BEGUN AND THERE WERE NO GUESTS IN RESIDENCE AT THE HOTEL AT THAT TIME. THE VEGETATION IN THE PROJECT AREA INCLUDED A LARGE HARDWOOD TREE, COCONUT TREES, AND TALL GRASSES. THE TERRAIN IS RELATIVELY FLAT, SHOWING SIGNS OF HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY IMPROVED BY GRADING, BUT SLOPES TOWARDS THE SHORELINE. THE SOIL WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA IS PREDOMINANTLY A SANDY CLAY.

B. THE PROJECT AREA ASSOCIATED WITH SITE 1998B IS LOCATED ON THE BEACH IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF THE KOH POS RESTAURANT. THE PROJECT AREA LIES BELOW THE HIGH TIDE LINE AMONGST SEVERAL LARGE BOULDERS. THERE IS NO SOIL DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA, ONLY BEACH SAND. THE PROJECT AREA IS LARGELY REMOVED FROM THE PRIMARY LOCUS OF HUMAN ACTIVITY ON THE BEACH: HOWEVER, IT HAS BEEN FREQUENTLY USED AS A NATURAL LATRINE AREA BY BEACHGOERS OVER THE YEARS.

# 6. FIELD METHODS.

A. THE TEAM EXCAVATED TWO SITES (1998A AND 1998B) IN /\*\*\*\*\*\* BEGINNING OF SECTION 002 \*\*\*\*\*\*/
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RESPONSE TO WITNESS STATEMENTS CONCERNING THE BURIAL OF THE REMAINS OF AMERICAN SERVICE PERSONNEL. THE SITE 1998A WAS ALLEGEDLY A BURIAL LOCATION ON LAND. SITE 1998B WAS A BURIAL LOCATION IN THE LITTORAL ZONE ON A BEACH. THE TEAM USED A STANDARD SET OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL METHODS TO CONDUCT RECOVERY OPERATIONS ON SITE 1998A. THE RECOVERY METHODS EMPLOYED AT THE AQUATIC SITE 1998B ARE OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPH 6C.

- B. SITE 1998A. THE TEAM EMPLOYED A SET OF STANDARD ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD METHODS TO LOCATE AND EXCAVATE THE REPORTED HUMAN BURIAL AT SITE 1998A THAT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING STEPS. THE TEAM ESTABLISHED A GRID TO FACILITATE SPATIAL CONTROL DURING THE COURSE OF THE EXCAVATION. THE TEAM SYSTEMATICALLY STRIPPED THE SOIL WITHIN THE EXCAVATION UNIT AWAY TO A DEPTH OF TWENTY CENTIMETERS USING SHARPENED SHOVELS. THE TEAM PROCESSED ALL EXCAVATED SOIL THROUGH ONE-QUARTER INCH SCREENS, THE TEAM CUT CLEAN THE EXCAVATION FLOOR WITH TROWELS, SPRAYED IT WITH WATER, AND THEN PHOTOGRAPHED IT. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST OBSERVED AND RECORDED ALL EVIDENCES OF PRIOR DISTURBANCE OF THE SUBSOIL, SUCH AS PIT FEATURES. THE TEAM EXCAVATED ALL PIT FEATURES WITH SHOVELS AND TROWELS AND SCREENED ALL FEATURE-FILL THROUGH ONE-QUARTER INCH SCREENS. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST EXAMINED ALL MATERIALS RECOVERED DURING THE RECOVERY OPERATIONS. THE TEAM RETAINED MATERIALS THAT POSSIBLY CORRELATE TO THE CASE.
- C. SITE 1998B. THE TEAM EMPLOYED METHODS IN THE RECOVERY OPERATION AT SITE 1998B THAT PERMITTED THE RECOVERY OF MATERIALS SUSPENDED IN WET SAND. THE TEAM SHOVELED OUT APPROXIMATELY FOUR CUBIC METERS OF SAND AND PROCESSED IT THROUGH ONE-QUARTER INCH SCREENS. THE TEAM NEXT USED A WATER PUMP WITH A REDUCED DISCHARGE HOSE TO WASH MUCH OF THE SAND REMAINING IN THE PROJECT AREA INTO A CUSTOM

DESIGNED SCREEN THAT WAS PLACED AT THE END OF THE INLET THROUGH WHICH SEA WATER DISCHARGED FROM THE PROJECT AREA. THE TEAM PROCESSED APPROXIMATELY TEN CUBIC METERS OF SAND IN THIS MANNER. THE TEAM ATTEMPTED AT THE END OF THE JFA TO CONSTRUCT A DREDGE SYSTEM THAT WOULD ALLOW THE REMAINING SAND TO BE SUCTIONED OUT OF THE PROJECT AREA AND INTO A ONE-QUARTER INCH SCREEN. THE DREDGE SYSTEM FAILED DUE TO THE LACK OF AN APPROPRIATELY LARGE DIAMETER DREDGE. THE TEAM RETAINED ALL MATERIALS THAT RELATED TO CASE 1998B. 7. ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDINGS:

A. THE TEAM RECORDED OBSERVATIONS AND COLLECTED MATERIALS DURING THE EXCAVATION OF THE TWO SITES. THESE RESULTS ARE DETAILED BELOW FOR THE RESPECTIVE SITES.

B. SITE 1998A. THE TEAM EXCAVATED A TOTAL OF THREE HUNDRED AND SIX SQUARE METERS DURING RECOVERY OPERATIONS AT SITE 1998A. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST DUG THREE 50X50 CENTIMETER TEST PITS ACROSS THE PROJECT AREA TO EVALUATE THE WITNESS TESTIMONY THAT THE HOTEL GROUNDS (INCLUDING THE PROJECT AREA) HAD BEEN GRADED BY A BULLDOZER AT LEAST TWICE SINCE 1975. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST DETERMINED THAT SOIL HAD BEEN STRIPPED OFF OF THE UPPER PART OF THE PROJECT AREA AND PUSHED DOWNSLOPE TO A STONE RETAINING WALL. THE TEAM INITIALLY EXCAVATED A 6X6 SQUARE METER EXCAVATION BLOCK THAT ENCOMPASSED THE LOCATION INDICATED BY THE WITNESS AS THE PLACE WHERE HE BURIED AN AMERICAN SERVICEMAN IN 1975. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST OBSERVED A SINGLE PIT FEATURE IN THE **EXCAVATION FLOOR WHICH CORRESPONDS NEARLY EXACTLY IN TERMS** OF SIZE, SHAPE, AND ORIENTATION TO THE WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF THE BURIAL PIT HE DUG IN 1975. THE TEAM EXCAVATED THE PIT FEATURE AND FOUND IT TO BE SHALLOW AND EMPTY. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST INTERPRETED THIS FINDING TO BE THE RESULT OF THE GRADING ACTIVITY HAVING STRIPPED OUT THE BURIAL AND SPREAD THE REMAINS ACROSS THE SITE TOWARDS THE STONE RETAINING WALL. THE TEAM NEXT EMPLOYED A BACKHOE TO EXCAVATE OUT AN 18X13 METER EXCAVATION BLOCK. THE TEAM PROCESSED APPROXIMATELY NINETY-TWO CUBIC METERS OF SOIL THROUGH ONE-QUARTER INCH SCREENS. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST OBSERVED NUMEROUS ANIMAL REMAINS AS WELL AS POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS THAT WERE RECOVERED DURING THE RECOVERY OPERATION. THE ANIMAL REMAINS AND POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS WERE HIGHLY FRAGMENTED AND OF SMALL SIZE. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST MEASURED THE SOIL PH AND FOUND IT TO BE APPROXIMATELY 5.5. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST NOTED THAT THE ACIDITY OF THE SOIL APPEARED TO CREATE AN UNFAVORABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR BONE PRESERVATION. THE TEAM RECOVERED ONE POSSIBLE SET OF WIRE HANDCUFFS THAT COULD POSSIBLY RELATE TO CASE 1998. THE TEAM RETAINED THE

POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS AND THE WIRE ARTIFACT.

- C. SITE 1998B. THE TEAM EXCAVATED APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED SQUARE METERS OF SAND DURING THE RECOVERY OPERATION AT SITE 1998B. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST OBSERVED SEVERAL ANIMAL REMAINS AND SOME POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS. THE TEAM RECOVERED NO OTHER MATERIALS THAT APPEAR TO RELATE TO CASE 1998.
- 8. MATERIAL EVIDENCE.
- A. THE TEAM RETAINED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS AND A POSSIBLE SET OF WIRE HANDCUFFS FROM SITE 1998A.
- B. THE TEAM RETAINED POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS FROM SITE 1998B.
- 9. LIFE SUPPORT ANALYST COMMENTS: N/A.
- 10. ANALYST/LINGUIST COMMENTS. MATERIAL EVIDENCE FROM SITE 1998A CORRESPONDS TO WIRE LIGATURES AND HEAVY-DUTY WIRE HANDCUFFS RECOVERED DURING 98-1C OPERATIONS IN SIHANOUKVILLE IN AN AREA WHICH WORKERS HAD IDENTIFIED AS A KILLING FIELD.
- 11. EOD TECHNICIAN COMMENTS: NONE.
- 12. ANTHROPOLOGIST CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:
- A. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST WILL OFFER COMMENTS FOR THE TWO SITES BELOW.

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B. THE SITE 1998A WAS EXCAVATED IN RESPONSE TO THE STATEMENTS (REF B) OF A WITNESS (6)(6) WHO WAS FORMERLY A SOLDIER WITH THE KHMER ROUGE! ALLEGEDLY BURIED AN AMERICAN IN A SHALLOW BURIAL PIT ON THE GROUNDS OF THE VICTORYSIDE HOTEL IN MAY, 1975. THE WITNESS DESCRIBED THE BURIAL PIT AS BEING ONE AND ONE-HALF METERS LONG, ONE-HALF METER WIDE, AND ONE-HALF METER DEEP. THE WITNESS PLACED A WOODEN STAKE IN THE PRECISE LOCATION HE BELIEVED TO BE THE BURIAL LOCATION. THE WITNESS STATED THAT THE PROJECT AREA WAS GRADED AT LEAST TWICE SINCE 1975. THE TEAM EXCAVATED THE AREA INDICATED BY THE WITNESS AS THE LOCATION OF THE BURIAL PIT. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST OBSERVED A SINGLE PIT FEATURE IN THE EXCAVATION FLOOR, APPROXIMATELY TEN CENTIMETERS FROM THE WITNESS STAKE MARKER, WHICH WAS ONE AND ONE-HALF METERS LONG AND 0.7 METERS WIDE. THE TEAM EXCAVATED THE PIT FEATURE AND FOUND IT TO BE ONLY SEVEN CENTIMETERS DEEP AND EMPTY. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST FOUND DURING THE INVESTIGATION OF THE SITE AMPLE EVIDENCE THAT THE HOTEL GROUNDS HAD BEEN GRADED. THE ANTHROPOLOGIST INTERPRETED THE FINDINGS TO INDICATE THAT THE AMERICANS REMAINS HAD BEEN BULLDOZED AND SPREAD ACROSS THE PROJECT AREA. ALL OF THE PROJECT AREA WHICH COULD BE DISTURBED. WAS EXCAVATED AND SCREENED IN AN ATTEMPT TO RECOVER

WHATEVER HUMAN REMAINS WERE PRESENT. THE OBVIOUS DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF THE BULLDOZER COUPLED WITH SOIL CONDITIONS NOT CONDUCIVE TO BONE PRESERVATION MOST LIKELY ACCOUNT FOR THE SPARSE REMAINS RECOVERED. FURTHER WORK AT SITE 1998A IS NOT RECOMMENDED.

C. SITE 1998B WAS EXCAVATED IN RESPONSE TO THE STATEMENTS OF THE SAME WITNESS (b)(6) DISCUSSED ABOVE FOR SITE 1998A. THE WITNESS STATED THAT HE PLACED THE BODY OF AN AMERICAN SERVICEMAN ON THE SAND AMONGST A SET OF LARGE BOULDERS IN MAY 1975. HE WAS ABLE TO OBSERVE THE REMAINS OVER THE COURSE OF A MONTH FOLLOWING THE DEPOSITION OF THE BODY AT THAT LOCATION AND NOTED THAT THE REMAINS HAD NOT BEEN REMOVED BY TIDAL ACTION. THE TEAM EXCAVATED, THROUGH A VARIETY OF MEANS, SITE 1998B. POSSIBLE HUMAN REMAINS WERE RECOVERED. DUE TO THE COMPLEXITY OF EXCAVATING A SITE WITHIN THE LITTORAL ZONE OF A BEACH, THE SITE WAS TEMPORARILY CLOSED UNTIL A RECOVERY OPERATION CAN BE STAGED WHICH IS PREPARED FOR EXCAVATION OF A WET SITE. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT A DREDGE SYSTEM BE USED THAT WILL ALLOW THE SAND MATRIX. TO BE SUCTIONED OUT FROM AROUND THE ROCKS AND PUSHED OUT TO A SCREEN.

- 13. TEAM LEADER COMMENTS.
- A. CONCLUSIONS: CONCUR WITH TEAM ANTHROPOLOGIST'S COMMENTS.
- B. HOST GOVERNMENT COOPERATION/SUPPORT: EXCELLENT AT ALL LEVELS.
- 14. DETACHMENT COMMANDERS COMMENTS, NONE.// BT

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MSGID/GENADMIN/MIL-STD-6040(SERIES)/B.0.01.00/CDR JPAC HICKAM AFB HI// SUBJ/EXCAVATION SUMMARY REPORT OF CASE 2038 AND LKA CASE 1998// GENTEXT/REMARKS/EXCAVATION SUMMARY REPORT OF CASE 2038 AND LKA CASE 1998 (SITES CB-00131 AND CB-00207) CONDUCTED DURING JOINT FIELD ACTIVITY 15-1CB (49TH JFA).

AKNLDG/COMMENTS IN THIS REPORT ARE NOT INTENDED TO PROVIDE FINAL ANALYTICAL CONCLUSIONS.

REF/A/3RD MARINE DIVISION HQ SAN FRANCISCO/7 JUNE 1975.

REF/B/JPAC-CIL HICKAM AFB HI/16 JANUARY THROUGH 26 FEBRUARY 2008. REF/C/JPAC-CIL/JTF-FA/CAMP SMITH HI/12 JANUARY THROUGH 3 FEBRUARY 2001.

REF/D/DOC/1:250,000 SCALE MAP. NARR/REFERENCES.

- A. REF A IS THE MEMORANDUM TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL CONTAINING DEBRIEFING STATEMENTS REGARDING THE INVESTIGATION TO INQUIRE INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE MISSING IN ACTION STATUS IN THE CASE OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GARY C. HALL 402 88 88 73/0331 USMC, LANCE CORPORAL JOSEPH N. HARGROVE 243 88 55 70/0331 USMC AND PRIVATE DANNY G. MARSHALL 234 92 89 19/0311 USMC.
- B. REF B IS THE SEARCH AND RECOVERY REPORT CIL 2008-017: AN ALLEGED BURIAL SITE ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 2038, CASE CB-00131 KOH TANG (TANG ISLAND), KOH TANG DISTRICT, KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA, 16 JANUARY THROUGH 26 FEBRUARY 2008.
- C. REF C IS THE INTERIM SEARCH AND RECOVERY REPORT 2001/CIL/063: SITE CB-00131, REPORTED BURIAL AREA POSSIBLY ASSOCIATED WITH REFNO 2038, KOH TANG (TANG ISLAND), KOH TANG DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA, 12 JANUARY AND 28 JANUARY THROUGH 3 FEBRUARY 2001.
- D. REF D IS MAP DATA: NAME: KAMPOT; SHEET: NC 48-5; SERIES: 1501 AIR; EDITION: 4; DATUM: INDIAN THAILAND; SCALE: 1:250,000. RMKS/1. CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS:
- A. CASE 2038 INVOLVES THE 15 MAY 1975 LOSS OF ONE U.S. MARINE (LONEY) WHO WAS KILLED BUT THE BODY WAS NOT RECOVERED (KIA-BNR). HIS BODY WAS LEFT BEHIND DURING THE WITHDRAWAL FROM KOH TANG FOLLOWING THE MAY 1975 SS MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT.
  - B. LKA CASE 1998 INVOLVES THE 15 MAY 1975 LOSS OF THREE U.S.

MARINES (HALL, HARGROVE AND MARSHALL) LEFT BEHIND DURING THE WITHDRAWAL FROM KOH TANG DURING THE SS MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT, RESULTING IN THREE UNACCOUNTED-FOR AMERICANS. (NOTE: THE CB-00131 SITE AREA MAY ALSO CONTAIN EVIDENCE FOR TWO U.S. MARINES (MARSHALL AND HARGROVE) ASSOCIATED WITH LKA CASE 1998.)

SITE LOCATION:

(b)(5); (b)(6)	MAP COORDINATES: (b)(5); (b)(6)	
В.	MGRS GRID COORDINATES: (b)(5); (b)(6)	
(b)(5); (b)(6)	WITH AN ESTIMATED POSITION ERROR (EPE) OF +/-3	
METERS,	TRACKING NINE SATELLITES; RIGHT FLANK FIGHTING POSITIONS A	T
(b)(5); (b)(6)	EPE +/- 3 METERS, TRACKING 8	
SATELLT	TES	

- C. ELEVATION: 1 TO 3 METERS.
- 3. SUMMARY OF EXCAVATION: FROM 21 FEBRUARY THROUGH 18 MARCH 2015, DURING JFA 15-1CB (49TH JFA), RECOVERY TEAM 1 (RT1) EXCAVATED POSSIBLE BURIAL LOCATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 2038 AND LKA CASE 1998 ON KOH (ISLAND) TANG, KOH TANG DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE, K.O.C. IN THE WEST BEACH AREA OF KOH TANG, RT1 EXCAVATED APPROXIMATELY 770 SQUARE METERS TO AN AVERAGE DEPTH OF 50 CM. THE AREAS EXCAVATED INCLUDE THE SANDY SHORE LINE OF WEST BEACH, THE INLAND AREA LEADING EAST FROM THE BEACH, AND WHAT ARE BELIEVED TO BE THE FIGHTING POSITIONS ON THE RIGHT FLANK OF THE MARINES INVASION BEACHHEAD (REFS A, B, AND C). RT1 DID NOT LOCATE A GRAVE CONTAINING THE REMAINS OF A U.S. MARINE OR CORRELATE ANY EVIDENCE CASE 2038 OR LKA CASE 1998. MOREOVER, RT1 EXCAVATED THE FIGHTING POSITIONS BELIEVED TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE RIGHT FLANK OF WEST BEACH WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. (NOTE: THE RECOVERY LEADER (RL) ONLY USED SITE CB-00131 AS THE DATUM POINT FOR THIS EXCAVATION, WHICH ALSO INCLUDED SITE CB-00207 THAT WAS 50 METERS AWAY.) ON 18 MARCH 2015, THE RL CLOSED THOSE PORTIONS OF SITE CB-00131 EXCAVATED BY RT1 DURING JFA 15-1CB. RECOMMEND LOCATING AND INTERVIEWING NEW WITNESSES ON-SITE REGARDING INFORMATION ABOUT POSSIBLE WEST BEACH BURIAL LOCATION(S). RECOMMEND NO FURTHER EXCAVATIONS UNTIL AN INVESTIGATION TEAM LOCATES THESE NEW WITNESSES. RECOMMEND INVESTIGATING THE WHEREABOUTS OF POSSIBLE BURIAL(S) PER INFORMATION GIVEN DURING JFA 15-1CB BY WITNESS (b)(6) TO THE K.O.C. POW/MIA COMMITTEE TEAM LEADER; GENERAL THE DETAILED DPAA-LABORATORY SEARCH AND RECOVERY REPORT NUMBER IS 2015-050-R. CURRENT STATUS OF THE AREA EXCAVATED AT SITE CB-00131: CURRENT SITE CB-00131 STATUS: CLOSED-GENERAL. CURRENT SITE CB-00207 SITE STATUS: CLOSED-ADMINISTRATIVE.
- 4. MATERIAL EVIDENCE: NONE.
- 5. EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) TECHNICIAN COMMENTS:
- A. IT1 RECOVERED UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE (UXO) WHICH INCLUDED VARIOUS RIFLE AMMUNITION CASINGS (7.62MM, 5.56MM, .45 CAL).
- B. EOD TECHNICIAN DEEMED THE AMMUNITION EVIDENCE HARMLESS AND DID NOT TRANSFER IT TO A DUD PIT.
- 6. WITNESS STATEMENTS: THE RL INTERVIEWED ONE WITNESS WHO MAY HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT A POTENTIAL WITNESS TO BURIAL ACTIVITIES AT WEST BEACH PERTAINING TO CASE 2038 OR LKA CASE 1998:
  - A. WITNESS ONE:

- (1) NAME: (b)(6)
- (2) AGE: 61.
- (3) CURRENT RESIDENCE AND LENGTH OF TIME THERE: STUNG CHHAY VILLAGE, BUNG PREAV COMMUNE, SRE AMBEL DISTRICT, KOH KONG PROVINCE; 17 YEARS.
  - (4) CURRENT OCCUPATION: FARMER.
  - (5) OCCUPATION AT TIME OF INCIDENT: KHMER SOLDIER.
- (6) RESIDENCE AT TIME OF INCIDENT: ASSIGNED TO KOH TANG IN CHARGE OF A SQUAD-SIZED ELEMENT IN THE 386TH BATTALION.
- (7) BACKGROUND: PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED FIVE TIMES, THREE TIMES AT THE U.S. EMBASSY IN PHNOM PENH, ONCE DURING JFA 06-3CB IN SEPTEMBER 2006; AND ON-SITE DURING THE JFA 08-2CB RECOVERY EXCAVATIONS. FOLLOWING THE DISCOVERY OF THE GRAVE OF LKA CASE 1998 (HALL, GARY 1998C) AT SITE CB-00206 DURING JFA 15-1CB, (b)(6) WAS FLOWN TO KOH TANG ON 10 MARCH 2015. THE RL DETERMINED THAT (b)(6) HAD VERY ACCURATE 1998C GRAVE LOCATION INFORMATION. THE RL ASKED (b)(6) IF HE HAD ANY INFORMATION REGARDING MISSING AMERICANS AT WEST BEACH PERTAINING TO CASE 2038 OR LKA CASE 1998.
- (8) STATEMENT:

  (A) (b)(6)

  AN DID NOT GET TO THE WEST BEACH AREA DURING OR AFTER THE BATTLE. HE INFORMED THE JFA 15-1CB, RT1 CAMBODIAN COUNTERPART, GENERAL SOYATH, THAT HE KNEW SOMEONE WHO MAY HAVE RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT A BURIAL LOCATION IN THE WEST BEACH AREA (NOTE: (b)(6)

  AN PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION TO GENERAL SOYATH WITHOUT THE PRESENCE OF THE RL. GENERAL SOYATH PROVIDED THE RL WITH THE INFORMATION AFTER THE INTERVIEW, BUT THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH TIME TO PURSUE THIS LEAD DURING JFA 15-1CB.)
- (B) ONLY TWO HOURS AFTER THE INCIDENT INVOLVING THE BURIAL OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS GARY HALL IN MAY 1975 (1998C), THEY TRANSFERRED (b)(6) AN TO PAULO WAI ISLAND.

  6. REPORT WRITERS:
  - A. (b)(6) DPAA, RECOVERY LEADER/ANTHROPOLOGIST.
- B. (b)(6) USMC (AUGMENTEE), EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL (EOD) TECHNICIAN.
- C. (b)(6) DPAA, LIFE SUPPORT INVESTIGATOR.//
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