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The Vietnam War MIA Research Collaboration Portal (MIA RCP)

Maximizing Collaborative Research to help find the Missing from the Vietnam War

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Missing-in-Action Research Collaboration Portal (MIA RCP)

- With the Virtual Vietnam Archive at Texas Tech as the foundation, the MIA RCP will allow DPAA and VMIA project research team members to engage in more efficient, effective, and focused research using the unique archival holdings of the Vietnam Archive at Texas Tech
- The purpose for the RCP is to provide a common and centralized location for historical document access, document review, basic document analysis, metadata entry, communication, information management, information sharing, and open and transparent collaboration between research team members at multiple institutions and organizations
- Using a common and centralized system for document access and metadata entry is essential to both short-term and long-term project efficiency and success
- Currently, the historical material foundation for the MIA RCP is the Combined Document Exploitation Center Collection (CDEC)



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CDEC Collection

- Central office in Saigon for all captured documents found by the US/Allies during combat operations
- Documents assessed, coded, and added to searchable microfilm system using punch cards and IBM computers
- Coded and filmed documents could then be searched using a query-based CRT film reading system
- Documents added to the microfilm were subsequently destroyed leaving the no other record of the documents except for those on film

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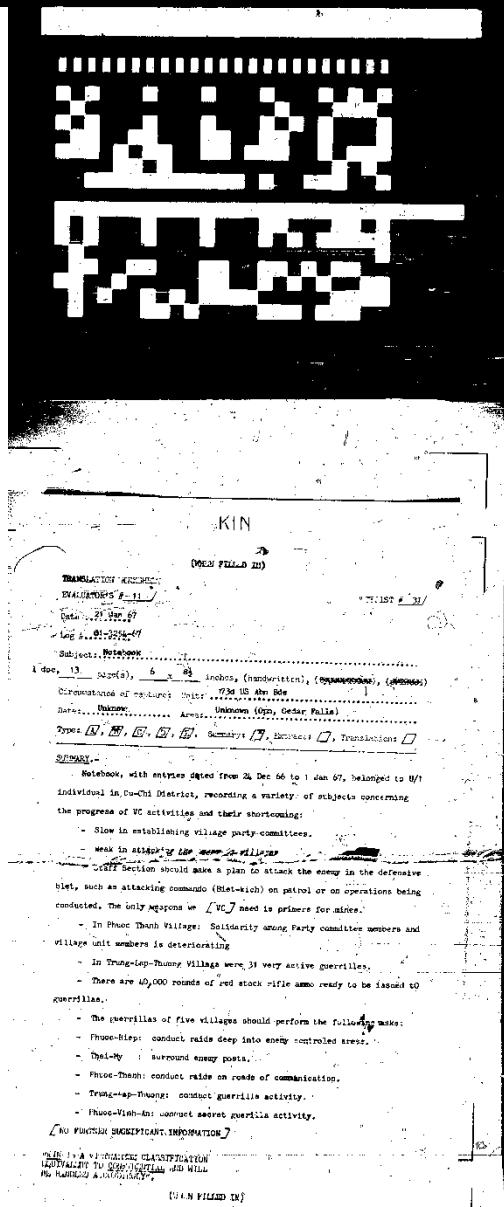
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CDEC 1.0

- After the war, the U.S. National Archives converted ~100 large “pancake” sized microfilm reels to 954 3” microfilm reels
- The filmed documents lack any logical organization or structure except for the block code
- Coding appears as alternating black and clear blocks representing an alpha-numeric sequence
- No functioning microfilm search machines exist making it impossible to find CDEC materials with reliability



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CDEC 2.0

- TTU developed image reading and database conversion software that rendered scanned film and intelligence coding into an online searchable format
- 261,613 Document Records
- 2.7 million pages
- Advanced keyword searchable – but with limitations
- Have now developed additional enhanced tools

The screenshot shows the 'Combined Document Exploitation Center (CDEC) Search' page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for 'Vietnam War Legacy', 'Digital Materials ▾', 'Donating ▾', and 'Oral History ▾'. Below the navigation is a search bar with a 'Quick Search' button. The main search area contains various input fields for searching documents. On the right side, there are two sections: 'Field Indexes' and 'Useful Documents'. The 'Field Indexes' section lists terms like 'Item # / Log #', 'Intelligence Subject(s)', 'Subject Modifier(s)', 'Date of Capture', 'Intelligence Date', 'Report Date', 'Date Keypunched', 'Organization(s)', 'Names of People', 'Keywords', and 'Geographic Locations'. The 'Useful Documents' section lists 'FMA, Inc. FileSearch User's Guide', 'Research Analysis Corporation', 'Intelligence Subject Code Study, 1962', 'Intelligence Subject Code and Area Classification Code, Fourth Edition, 1967', 'MACV Automated Document Storage & Retrieval System Manual, 1967', and 'About this Search Page'.

Combined Document Exploitation Center (CDEC) Search

All Fields:
And

Item # / Log #:

Intelligence Subject(s):

Subject Modifier(s):

Date of Capture: To:
Intelligence Date: To:
Report Date: To:
Date Keypunched: To:

Organization(s):

Names of People:

Keyword Field:

Geographic Location(s):

Grid Coordinates (1km):

Only show records that can be displayed on a Map?

Field Indexes
The following pages list all of the available terms for the CDEC report fields.
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About this Search Page
During the Vietnam War, the US Army's Combined Document Exploitation Center (CDEC) received thousands of pages of captured material containing valuable intelligence. Reports were written for each item, and at the end of each day, the items were filmed and the reports were encoded using an 8-bit coding system. The Vietnam Center and Archive has worked with Image Retrieval, Inc. to



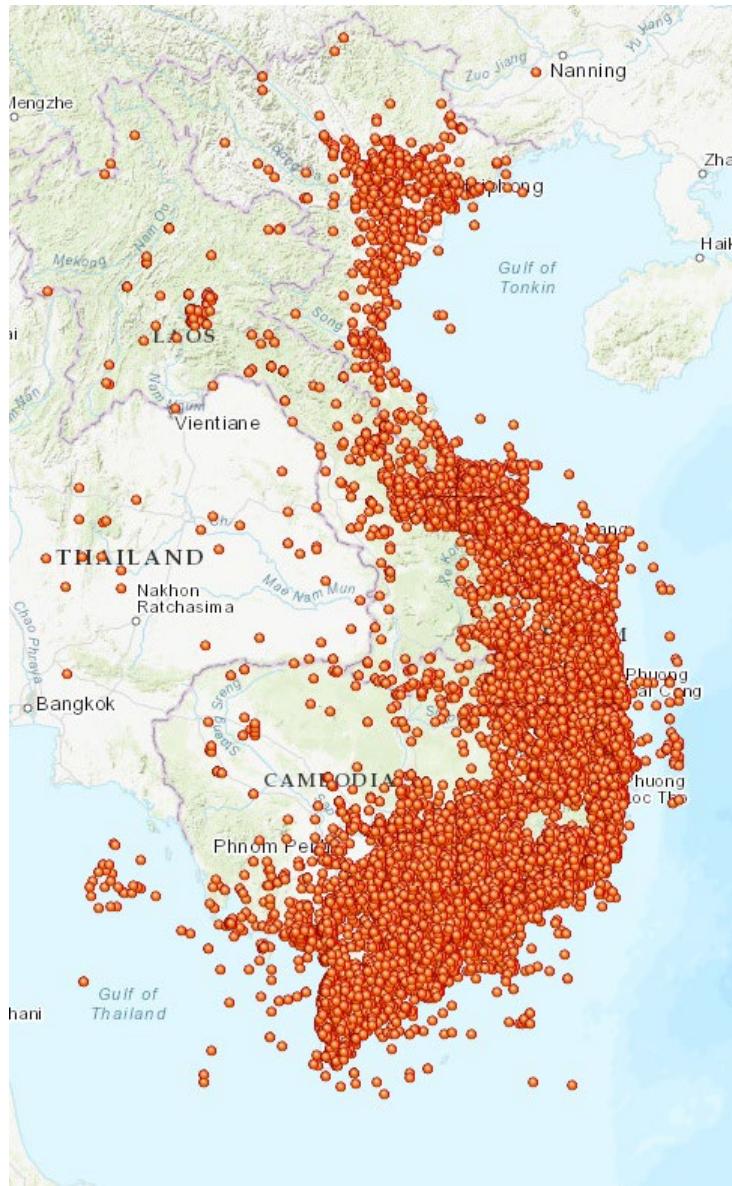
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CDEC 3.0: Enhanced Tools and Accessibility

Mapping

- We have mapped the entire CDEC collection utilizing extracted geolocation metadata from each document record
- Currently use ArcGIS to plot CDEC documents
- When combined with document capture data and MIA case information, will allow for temporal and spatial proximity searches





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1. COUNTRY: VS		8. REPORT NUMBER:		6 Q29 0186 72	
3. SUBJECT: (U) AMERICAN PW held by DUC TRONG District Unit		9. DATE OF REPORT:		14 Jun 72	
5. IIC NUMBER: 723.600 723.610 733.000 736.100		10. NO. OF PAGES:		10	
4. DATE OF INFORMATION: 12 Jun 70 to 7 Jun 71		11. REFERENCES: DIRM: 1G3q, 1J15, 1Q16, 6G3, 6G, 6G1, 1G2a MACV ICP: EEI 11-1-1, 11-1-2, 11-3-1, 11-5-2, 11-6-1, 11-6-3 SICR: D-7CX-49018		12. ORIGINATOR: US Element, CMIC, USMACV	
6. PLACE AND DATE OF ACQ: CMIC, SAIGON, VS 29 Nov 71		13. PREPARED BY: PAUL FEIN SP4, USA			
EVALUATION SOURCE: F INFORMATION: 6		14. APPROVING AUTHORITY: <i>David L. Femberton</i> DAVID L. FEMBERTON LTC, USA Dir. US Elm, CMIC		(Leave Blank)	
15. SUMMARY: (C) This is a translation of ARVN Interrogation Report No 0023/TTIVHH/BT, dated 5 Jan 72, and contains information concerning an American and two Vietnamese prisoners being held by the DUC TRONG District Unit. Also included is OB information concerning the TUYEN DUC Province Unit. THIS IS A BRIGHT LIGHT REPORT. MACV for JFRC. Quote:					

MIA RCP

- Will work with DPAA/VMIA research team members who will be trained to add additional metadata and tags to CDEC records making them more accessible through advanced search capabilities
- Research team members will also be able to add transcriptions and translations of CDEC documents to allow for full text searching
- This phase of work is critical to making CDEC more searchable and useful for the USMIA/VMIA missions



The Challenges to Using CDEC for Research

- While wartime military intelligence coding is very helpful for certain elements of information, it is not always consistent with the research terms associated with traditional historical research (e.g., intelligence coding does not include such basic elements of information as the document title)
- Translation of the intelligence code on the film into extracted alpha numeric and intelligence data is not always accurate
- Documents on film often contain significant background noise and handwritten diacritics preventing efficient OCR and machine reading of the documents
- In order to efficiently and effectively review and tag 261K documents relevant or not relevant for the MIA mission, research team members need to engage in active review and metadata tagging as they review
- By doing this, team members will contribute to the short term-mission of identifying mission critical documents that contain MIA information while also contributing to the long-term mission of creating a more complete and more robust dataset that can be used for many years to come and for many research purposes



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Welcome to the Vietnam War MIA Research Collaboration Portal

This site is dedicated to collaborative research that will help identify and tag documents contained within the Combined Document Exploitation Center Collection (CDEC) and related US military records.

The mission is to allow our organizational partners to login and access CDEC materials, review them, and add additional metadata, search tags, and related information that can then be shared in real time with other USMIA and VMIA researchers/teams via the Internet. The goal is to identify actionable information that can be tagged and shared across the all research teams, fostering better and more efficient communication, information sharing, and MIA case resolution.

For now, this portal is controlled access and is not open for use by public researchers or volunteers. If you are a member of our collaborative partners, please click the Log In/Sign Up button to register and set up an account. If you have questions, please contact us vnca@ttu.edu.



Research Collaboration Portal



- The MIA RCP uses the same ArchivesSpace database architecture that drives the Virtual Vietnam Archive – an online database that provides public access to more than a million documents and artifacts and more than 10 million pages of digitized Vietnam War historical documents from the Vietnam Archive Collections
- The homepage for MIA RCP provides basic information about the site and invites guests to apply for login credentials, which are provided by invitation only and with the approval of VNCA staff



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Welcome to the Vietnam War MIA Research Collaboration Portal

Thank you for helping us to identify and tag CDEC and related US military records with valuable information that can be used to help account for the missing from the war and return important legacy artifacts to Vietnamese families.

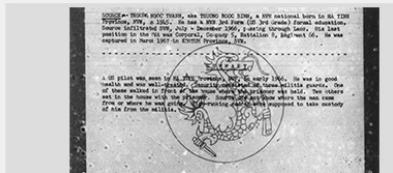
[Start using the CDEC Research Collaboration Portal](#)

Below are links to get you started (or click on Help above).

How-to

[Style Guide - English / Vietnamese](#)

[Video Tutorial](#)



Research Collaboration Portal



- By using invitation only and credentialed access, the VNCA has established a secure data entry system that will only allow authorized users to enter metadata and information for CDEC and other records after they have received training by VNCA staff
- MIA RCP access is also conditioned on user acceptance of the terms of use for the MIA RCP with continued access dependent on adherence to those terms of use
- After a user accepts the terms of use and is approved and is granted login permissions and credentials, they are taken to a new screen that will include links to additional resources to include user guides and tutorials (under development)
- To start using the portal, users click the link to Start using the MIA RCP



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Collection:

Date Span:

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Reel:

- Materials that contain MIA/Legacy Information
- Materials that have not yet been reviewed

Search

Search ArcGIS Maps

CDEC

Find Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Cambodia (#74, 1963)

Laos (#73, 1973)

North Vietnam (#79, 1964)

South Vietnam (#58, 1961)

South Vietnam (#71, 1971)

Thailand (#97, 1966)

Find U.S. Military Grid Zone Coordinates

U.S./Allied camps, FBs, LZs, Hills, etc.

1:50000 Scale Maps by Province (Interactive)

North Vietnam

South Vietnam

Useful Documents

FMA, Inc. FileSearch User's Guide

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- The search page is designed with intentional simplicity while allowing for selective targeted searches to include date limiters, CDEC reel numbers, and whether documents have been reviewed to contain MIA/Legacy Information
- Additional research tools include access to the unique VNCA ArcGIS and other mapping tools and resources to include wartime tactical maps of Vietnam
- All MIA RCP pages are very flexible and easily modified and VNCA staff have the expertise to quickly add additional search features and capabilities once we receive feedback from our collaborating partners and as project needs evolve over time



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- Keyword searches can include general search terms, place names, person names, units, etc.
- More targeted material searches can also be conducted using CDEC Log Numbers, CDEC Bulletin Numbers, other document specific data points, and VNCA designated Item Numbers
- VNCA Item Numbers are the internally generated and unique file numbers attached to every digital object in the Virtual Vietnam Archive
- In this instance, I have entered a “prisoners-of-war” as a keyword search term since it is also a very specific intelligence coded term that will appear consistently in related CDEC documents



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Additional filters:

Record Type

CDEC **4670**

DPAA Information Type

Document Been Reviewed?

Captured Documents (CDEC): Unknown Interrogation Source, Log Number 04-1257-06, 02/26/1966, CTZ 3, Binh Duong Province

Item Number: F034602760017 [\(Click To Submit Information\)](#)

2 file(s)

[Pages: 43]

Date Captured: 1966-02-25

Date of Report: 1966-05-19

Intelligence Subjects: Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] POW Camps , Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] Political Indoctrination , Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] , Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] Repatriation , Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] Conduct for Prisoners of War**Organizations:** US 1st Inf. Div. (Inc. 1st MI Det)**Geographic Location:** CTZ 3 Combat Tactical Zone 3 Binh Duong

Captured Documents (CDEC): Unknown Interrogation Source, Log Number 59-9468-69, 12/08/1968, CTZ 1, Quang Nam Province

Item Number: F034604800264 [\(Click To Submit Information\)](#)

1 file(s)

[Pages: 11]

Date Captured: 1968-12-07

Date of Report: 1968-12-29

Intelligence Subjects: Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries Prisoners-Of-War [POW] , Armed Forces Operations Against Foreign Countries

- The search returns 4,670 CDEC documents with information that specifically relates to POWs
- Important to note this includes all POW related information to include POW treatment and handling, etc.
- The document title serves as a link to more detailed document record data while the “Click to Submit” and PDF icon links will take the research team member into the data entry portal
- On the left side are additional tools that will allow additional filtering of search results if needed/desired



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Captured Documents (CDEC): Unknown Interrogation Source, Log Number 07-8969-69, 01/11/1969, CTZ 3, Hau Hghia Province

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Classification and Control Markings

1. COUNTRY: LA 8. REPORT NUMBER: 6 029 0/89 69
2. SUBJECT: (U) US and Allied PW Sighting 9. DATE OF REPORT: 12 Aug 69
10. NO. OF PAGES: 5
3. ISC NUMBER: 723.600 11. REFERENCES: DIRM: 1Q16, 603
(23.610) SICR: D-7CX-20000
12. ORIGINATOR: US Element, CMIC, USMACV
JOSEPH N. DONNA
SP4, USA
13. PREPARED BY: George T. Gabella
GEORGE T. GABELLA
LTC, USA
Dir, US Elm, CMIC
14. APPROVING AUTHORITY:
15. SUMMARY: (C) This report contains information concerning a US and Allied PW sighting in Laos in mid May 68. Included in this report is a description of the area at which the PW were held, accessibility to the area, and security. Also included

Country: Laos

Subject: (U) US and Allied PW Sighting

Date of Information: Mar 1968

This report contains information concerning a US and Allied PW sighting in Laos mid May 68.

VMIA Subjects:

- Grave
 - Capture
 - K.I.A.
 - Prisoner of War
 - Remains
 - Unit Roster
 - Order of Battle

Legacy Subjects:

- Diary
 - Letter
 - Evaluation
 - Award
 - Commendation
 - Promotion

DPAA Subjects:

- Grave
 - Capture
 - K.I.A.
 - Prisoner of War
 - Remains

VMIA/Legacy Reference Number:

DPAA Reference Number (REFNO):

Intelligence analysis evaluation for this document:

Information: 6 - Truth cannot be judged: Information does not meet the criteria above
(Based on Table 2-1 Evaluation ratings for source reliability and information accuracy, page 2-5, ATP 2-33.4, Intelligence Analysis, HQDA, January 2020. |

- Clicking to “Submit Information” opens the document in the document review and data entry form unique to that document



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- On the left side of the screen is the document review window
- This includes links to the string of site pages
- Link to open the document in a separate window to allow for easier document scaling and dual monitor data entry
- Link to open the detailed document record data in a separate window to allow access to additional document metadata already collected
- The document itself to include thumbnails allowing for easy and immediate document review and data entry



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- On the right side of the screen is the data entry form
- This includes a transcription window where research team members will provide detailed information transcribed from the original text of the document
- DPAA Subject tags that identify both known and potential subjects to include graves, capture, KIA, POW, remains, and unit rosters
- We also include “VMIA and Legacy Subjects” as we work woth other project partners assisting with the Vietnamese MIA project

Report ID: 07-8969-69, Date: 01/11/1969, Location: CTZ 3, Hau Nghia Province

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- We include DPAA Reference Number (REFNO) field for documents that can be linked to known USMIA case files
- Comments text box that allows research team members to enter document related information document analysis they wish to track or special notes and information worthy of being shared with others
- Research team members will indicate whether the document does or does not contain MIA/Legacy Artifact information, effectively tagging the document as reviewed and worthy of continued evaluation or if it is irrelevant and can be ignored in future searches
- The Save button will save all data entered
- The Send feature provides users with a list of email recipients, allowing them to quickly share important and time-sensitive document information with other research team members

The screenshot shows a user interface for document review. At the top, there are two input fields: 'VMIA/Legacy Reference Number:' and 'DPAA Reference Number (REFNO:)'. A red arrow points from the first bullet point in the list to the 'DPAA Reference Number' field. Below these is a large text area containing intelligence analysis evaluation for the document, mentioning reliability and information sources. Another red arrow points from the second bullet point to the beginning of this text area. Further down, there are two radio buttons: one selected ('CONTAINS') and one unselected ('DOES NOT'). A red arrow points from the third bullet point to the 'CONTAINS' radio button. To the right of these buttons are 'Save' and 'Send' buttons. A red arrow points from the fourth bullet point to the 'Send' button. At the bottom right is a 'Report Issue(s)' button, which has a red arrow pointing to it from the fifth bullet point.

VMIA/Legacy Reference Number:

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CONTAINS VMIA/Legacy Information **DOES NOT** contain VMIA/Legacy Information

Save

Share this record by Email: **SEND**

Report Issue(s)

- The Report Issues button allows users to submit a feedback form in the event they discover problems with documents/document records

- The Send Feature allows detailed information about important documents to be shared quickly and efficiently
- The email document report is detailed and includes metadata and information entered by the research team member, as well as general document information and additional document metadata tags
- Like all aspects of the MIA RCP, the Email Report is very flexible and can be easily modified once we receive feedback from our collaborating partners and as project needs evolve over time

Share this record by Email:

Ron Milam
Steve Maxner

VC Vietnam Center and Archive
To Maxner, Steve

Sent From S. Maxner

Item: [F034605911538](#)

Transcription:
Country: Laos Subject: (U) US and Allied PW Sighting Date of Information: Mar 1968 This report contains information concerning a US and Allied PW sighting in Laos mid May 68.

Comments:
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MIA Subjects:

Legacy Subjects:

DPAA Subjects:
Prisoner of War

VMIA/Legacy Reference Number:

DPAA Reference Number (REFNO):

CONTAINS MIA/Legacy Information

Log Number:
07-8969-69

Capture Date:
1969/01/11

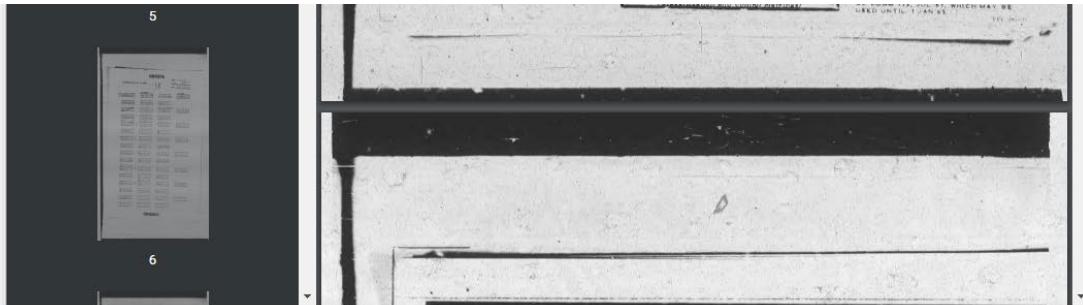
Location(s):
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CONTAINS MIA/Legacy Information

- In the event a document has already been reviewed by a research team member, the information and data they have entered will appear by name in a drop-down view pane at the bottom of the data entry page
- Each research team member's comments and contributions to a document are tracked in this way, allowing for open and transparent information sharing and collaboration
- This also allows research team supervisors to quickly review the information each team member adds for accuracy checks and quality control reviews



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Tài liệu được chụp (CDEC): Nguồn thẩm vấn không xác định, Số nhật ký 07-8969-69, 01/11/1969, CTZ 3, Tỉnh Hậu Hghia

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Transcription:

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Comments:

Intelligence analysis evaluation for this document: Source: F - Reliability cannot be judged: There is no basis for estimating the reliability Information: 6 - Truth cannot be judged: Information does not meet the criteria above (Based on Table 2-1 Evaluation ratings for source reliability and information accuracy, page 2-5, ATP 2-33.4, Intelligence Analysis, HQDA, January 2020).

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Phiên âm:

Quốc gia: Lào Chủ đề: (U) Hoa Kỳ và Đồng minh nhìn thấy PW Ngày thông tin: tháng 3 năm 1968 Báo cáo này bao gồm thông tin liên quan đến việc nhìn thấy PW của Hoa Kỳ và Đồng minh ở Lào vào giữa tháng 5 năm 68.

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PERSONNEL PROFILE

Service Member **SFC DEVERTON CARPENTER COCHRANE**

Conflict **VIETNAM WAR**
Service **UNITED STATES ARMY**
Status **Unaccounted For**

On June 16, 1970, a five-man U.S. Army Ranger reconnaissance team deployed from Fire Support Base (FSB) David in Cambodia on an area search mission (vicinity of 48P YU 381 611; Indian 1960 datum). A helicopter inserted the team into the area and they spent the night in a defensive position. The next morning, the team began their search, discovered an enemy bunker and engaged in a firefight with enemy soldiers. The team leader was killed during the action, and the assistant team leader was killed while attempting to reach him. Two other team members were also wounded, and the remaining team member dragged his wounded companions into cover in deep grass and returned to FSB David for help. The following day, a search and rescue (SAR) team managed to extract the two wounded team members, but were unable to locate the team leader and assistant team leader. SAR teams searched for their bodies for the next five days but could not locate them.

Staff Sergeant Deverton Carpenter Cochrane, who joined the U.S. Army from Massachusetts, served with Company H, 75th Infantry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division. He was the leader of the Ranger team who was mortally wounded by enemy fire during this firefight, further attempts to recover his remains were unsuccessful. Subsequent to the incident, and while carried in the status of missing in action (MIA), the U.S. Army promoted Staff Sergeant Cochrane to the rank of Sergeant First Class (SFC). Today, Sergeant First Class Cochrane is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.

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SFC DEVERTON
CARPENTER COCHRANE
Unit CO H 75TH INF 1ST CAV
DIV
Historical Country of Loss
CAMBODIA (FORMERLY
KAMPUCHEA)
Current Country of Loss
Cambodia
Home of Record MA

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- DPAA Personnel Profile
- SFC Deverton Cochrane
- US Army Ranger reconnaissance mission in Cambodia June 16, 1970
- Engaged enemy, KIA Remains not Recovered
- Status: Active Pursuit
- Mission occurred in vicinity of 48P YU 381 611 (Indian 1960 datum)

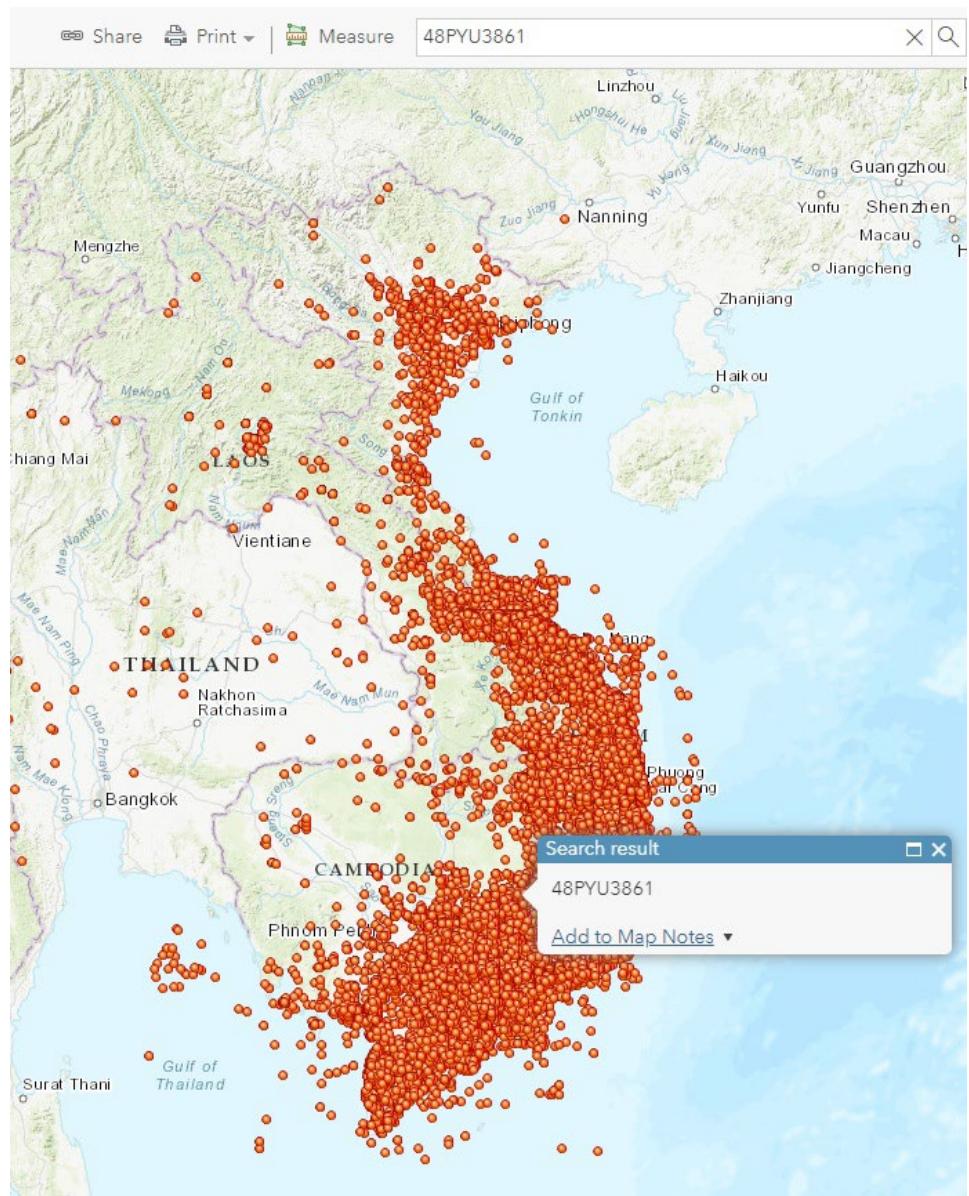


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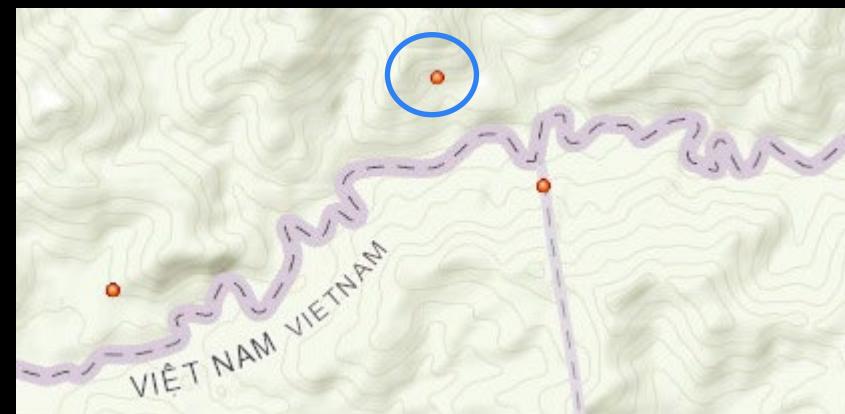
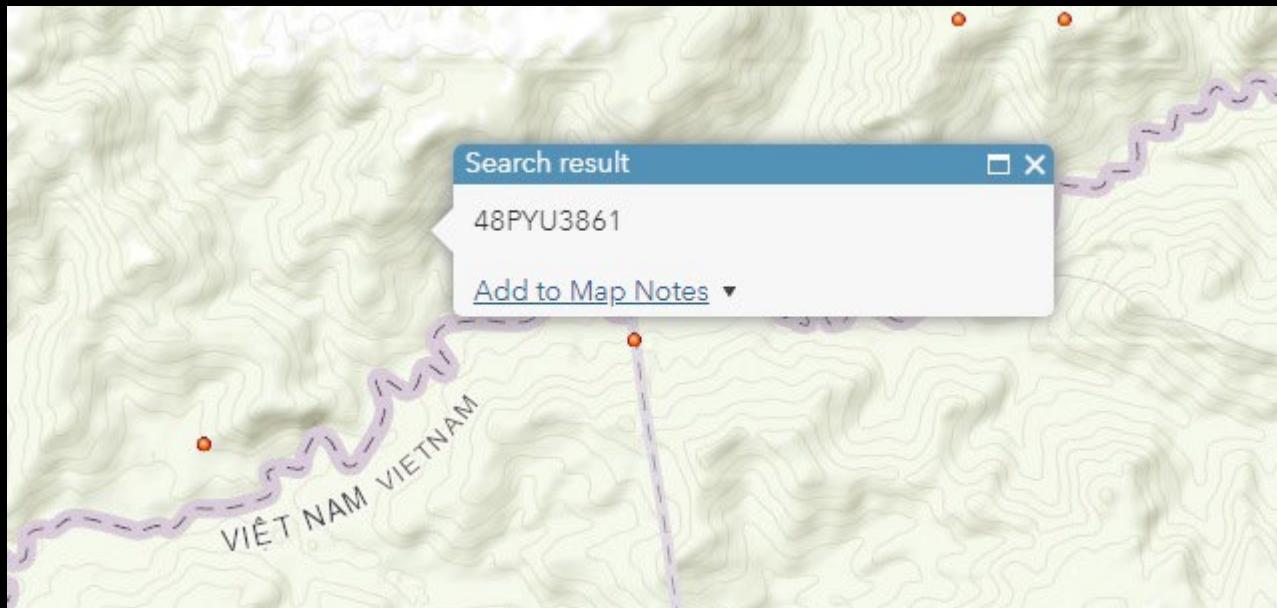
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- Searched for last known location in personnel record: 48P YU 381 611 (Indian 160 datum)





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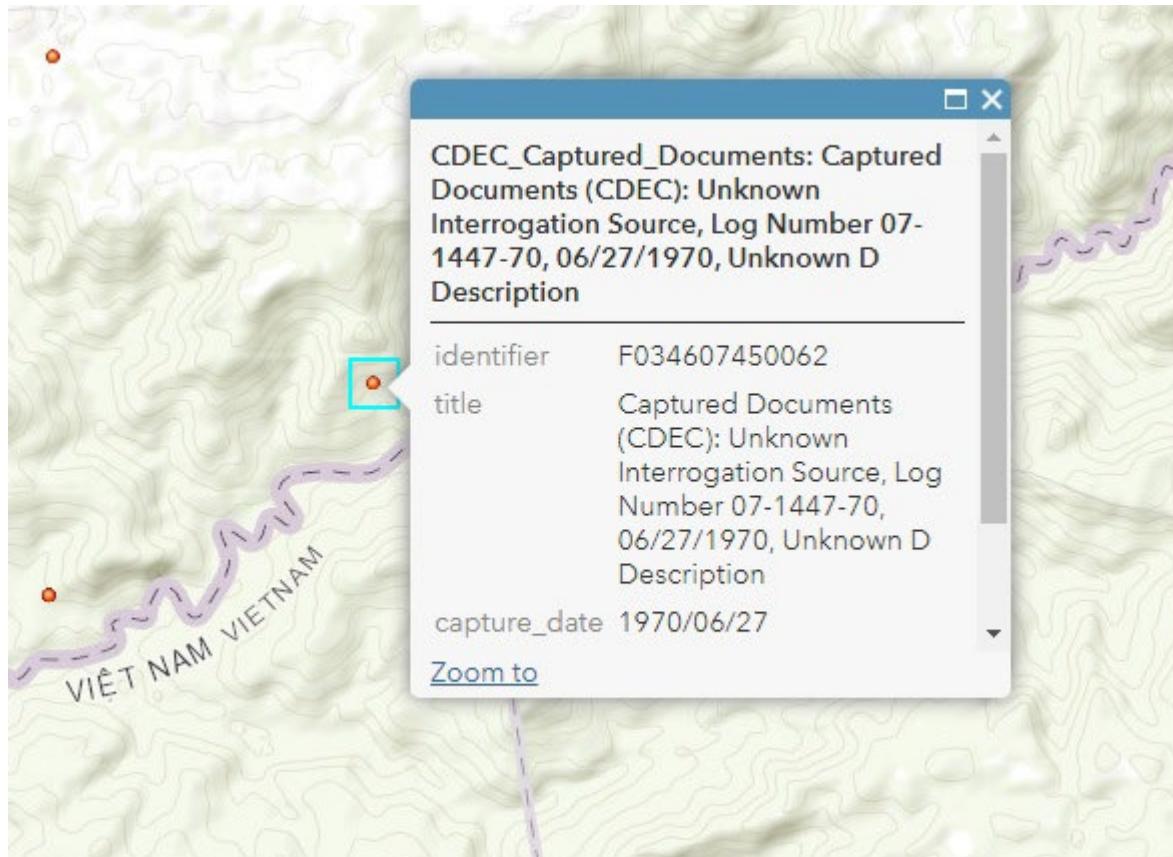
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Useful Documents

FMA, Inc. FileSearch User's Guide

Research Analysis Corporation Intelligence Subject Code Study, 1962

Intelligence Subject Code and Area Classification Code, Fourth Edition, 1967

MACV Automated Document Storage & Retrieval System Manual, 1967



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- Award
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~~from~~
dated 11 Jan to 18 Jun 70, maintained by an unidentified individual, reveals the
~~significant events during~~
~~the initial stages of his infiltration trip. The author left NVN for ((SVN))~~
~~on 13 Feb 70. He passed through Nghe An, Ha Tinh, and Quang Binh~~
~~Provinces, ((NVN)), and arrived at Bo Trach ((District, Quang Binh Province)) on~~
~~((Front)).~~
~~27 Feb 70. The author arrived at B3, after passing through stations 1 to 74, and at~~
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~~and~~
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