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SUBJ LAOS RECOVERS REMAINS OF AMERICAN WAR DEAD

TEXT XXCC

LAOTIAN OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR AMERICAN WAR DEAD SOMEWHAT EARLIER THAN ORIGINALLY THOUGHT, AS RECENTLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION REVEALS THE SEARCH WAS ONGOING IN APRIL AND MAY RATHER THAN EARLY JUNE.

[REDACTED] IN XIENG KHOANG PROVINCE ON 28 APRIL TO DESIGNATE ONE INDIVIDUAL

TO SEARCH THE PROVINCE FOR GRAVES OF AMERICANS. [REDACTED] PURSUANT TO AN "AGREEMENT" REACHED BY THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (LPDR) FOREIGN MINISTER. (A)

[REDACTED] ON 4 MAY THAT THE REMAINS OF SOME AMERICAN WAR DEAD HAD BEEN TAKEN TO "OFFICE 208." NEITHER THE TIME NOR LOCATION WAS GIVEN; HOWEVER, OFFICE 208 IS PROBABLY SOMEWHERE IN HOUA PHAN PROVINCE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AUTHORITIES IN VIENG SAI (2024N 10413E VH1955) TO INVESTIGATE THE LOCATION OF THE REMAINS.

ON 10 MAY AN LPDR OFFICIAL [REDACTED] FINDING THE REMAINS OF ONE AMERICAN AND HAVING MOVED THE BODY TO AN UNSPECIFIED PLACE. AGAIN, NEITHER THE NAME NOR LOCATION OF THE FIND WAS GIVEN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SEARCH HAD NOT UNCOVERED ANY ADDITIONAL REMAINS.

AS [REDACTED] ON 2 AND 4 JUNE LPDR OFFICIALS [REDACTED] THE DISENTERMENT OF AMERICANS KILLED IN THE AREA OF PHOU PHA THI, HOAU PHAN PROVINCE. (B)

(A) ACCORDING TO 20 MARCH COLLATERAL, LPDR DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER NOUPHAN SITPASAY TOLD U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY

THAT LAOS AGREED TO ACCOUNT FOR AMERICAN SERVICEMEN  
MISSING IN THE INDOCHINA WAR AND HAD ESTABLISHED A  
"COMMITTEE" TO SEARCH FOR INFORMATION.

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