

SAM THONG SITE 20

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To : Mr. Gullion (Social Welfare Advisor)
From : Thong Sar Bouspha
Sub : Answering your question about PL & VM.

"Sir" Now I am going to answer your terrific questions about the PL and VM. who are staying in Xieng Khouang and Sam Nue provinces and who are making destructions, agressions and interferences to the peace of all people in Laos. But I am telling you the truth in what I have seen, in what I have heard and in what I have asked the old and young people who are loving their own freedom and freeworld and who just escaped away from the terrible pressure and compalin; of the PL. and VN by myself.

"Sir" I explain about something first, after I got a wonderful certificate of Merit from USAID. Director and respectable gentleman on Friday 3/5/1963 at 6:15 PM. ob that day that I was very busy in the morning until I could not come to see a director and you all people on time; so my daddy "POP" tried to hurt me in everywhere, but he could not find me either, when I finished to clear you papers fixed and have a hair out and then I went to see "POP" and I explained a whole confusing thing to him; he said OK. but I thought that everybody gave me a kind excusing, when I already got a certificate and then I and my glad "POI" were very busy all afternoon until 19:00, P.M. we finished a whole thing, we felt very tired and we both just ate only one time in Vientiane and like we worked in the mountain a day: "Sir" at the night on that day I myself lost my normal heart and conscioumess by a beautiful and terrible famalse spirit in Vientiane "Sir" I knew that it was not polite to tell you, but I have to tell you, because one month I only came down to a city one time, after I got a terrible night with a hot bath, a worm message and a heavenly dream.

In the morning later I and my dad "POP" woke up at 06:00, A.M. to prepare our supply for going up the mountains and then we both went to the airport about 06:30, A.M. we waited for Helio which will take off about 30 minuts then we took off about 07:00, A.M. to Sam Thong site 20 when we arrived there about 08:00, A.M. and unloaded the whole supplies and then "POP" sent me to BAN TA with commodities for distribution to a new group of Lao refugees who came from BAN BAN, after I got through that place, I waited for Helio sad took commodities to that place again about two or three trips and about two or three houses, at the last rip that I saw my good friend Tom Ward came with Helio, during my waiting for commodites TOM WARD and POP who will come to help to give out commodities an that time. I walked

down to the Lao village with my old friend who is a Kong Le soldier and I saw one woman, her age is about 30 years old, who just arrived at that Ban Ta by her escaping away from Ban Ban, but she did not get nothing to come with her, except her market basket including a few vegetables in it. I myself asked her softly how could she flee from her village, she told me like this in the morning or 4.5.1963 early she and her friends are about 26 women altogether who their husbands are Kong Le's soldiers, but they went out to set their outpost around Ban Ban about 4 or 5 weeks ago: so 26 women including their children started to escape away, she said that she and her friends acted like going to the market and going to get the bamboo shoots by their promise with each other at the night before when they started out of their houses and when they kept going to the jungle and mountain at somewhere around Ban Ban, when they got through in a half way of P.L. and V.M. outpost in the north-eastern of Ban Ban and closed to the outpost of Kong Le's soldiers at Ban Ta where these women's husbands worked and where we went to give commodities to new Lao refugees: she said behind that way or that trail, there was one group of the P.L. and V.M.'s soldiers who are making the ambush to Kong Le's soldiers and Kong Le's people when the P.L. and V.M.'s soldiers saw a group of those women who were walking along that trail and then the P.L. and V.M.'s soldiers stopped them and shot them, on that time she was sure that about 5 to 6 of them got killed and the rest of them got caught by the P.L. and V.M.'s soldiers back to Ban Ban, but she herself ran away with holding one her friend's daughter about 4 years old to come to Ban Ta where her husband worked and that a little girl's father worked either and when that a little girl saw her father, she cried out and on that time I was there with them too! "Sir" when that a little girl cried to her father, I myself could not hold my tears from my both eyes and dropped all over my face, because my life was the same, when I was a young boy that my parents got killed by French in the period of Indochina war; and I walked away for a few minutes for my tears to stop and I came back to ask her again about the living of all people at Ban Ban whom the P.L. and C.M. occupied and treat to them in Ban Ban and around Ban Ban, she said that when she and all people live there, they don't have any happy and convenience in going, coming and making the living of their lives; there just were the P.L. and V.M. to come to their houses for getting their rice, chickens, clothes and something else in whatever the village people get in their hands, and someday she said that the P.L. and V.M. came to call men, women and old people to go to work for carrying weapons and ammunitions to their camps or to their outpost and someday the P.L. and V.M. come to call them to go to build the roads and cut the woods etc....., she said if somebody refused to go or to do in that P.L. and V.M. want them to do and then the P.L. and V.M. take that person to the jungle at somewhere for killing him away, because the P.L. and V.M. understand that person's mind is making enemies or war to them and trying to break their policy of communism. or war to them and trying to break their policy of communism.

I have asked her again about the P.L. and V.M., how did they live? How did they eat? She answered me like this "The PL VM. themselves: they live in the dirty places same as the wild animals and like pigs, they did not have nothing, except the things that they stole from the village people only. About their tools or important equipment they did not have to make their own things either, but they got a supporting from Hanoi just only weapons and ammunition, most the things they got or stole from the village people like knives, hoes, photos spoons, cooking, pots, bowls and mats etc. About their eating, they did not have many things to eat except they got a few things from their communist Government. Maybe only one time per 6 months or more than that, they got their droppings, mostly or usually they went to get their foods from village people, a way that they did, supposing one family has a sack of rice or chicken, or cows, or buffalo, or dog, or cat, they wrote down in their books their explanations and their untruepromisings they said to that family that when then our country will be well or no war and then we will pay you later, everthing you got you must give to us for eating today or tomorrow, we'll come to get this or to get that after all the family has to give to the PL. and VM. in according to the what they said a PL and VM they did like that to every family and every day whom the PL and VM occupied to; but at some times when the villagers did not stay in their houses for a while, and some of the PL and VM come to rob their things like money, chicken, buffalo and other things else and then they went away or back to their camps", Supposing" if one man or woman in those families knew about that and he or she went to accuse about those PL and VM who come to rob this or that to the PL. or VM's chief, and the chief or those PL and VM, he pretended to say that we did not know and our people did not know either, but that chief of those PL and VM he gave the exact order to this woman to go to that hole and kill him on her away, because he or she is trying to make big trouble to us and then that PL or VM have to do it in according to the chief's order completely. I also have asked her again about the communication, society and Co-operation between the PL and VM with the village people, she said that the PL and VM made very poor communication, society and poor Co-operation with village people every where the area that they are occupying because when they want to send messages or to do something with somebody or to somebody. "Supposing" when they go to patrol in some places and then they have to call the village people to go or to do with them, usually when they go to patrol they let the village people walk ahead of them, because they thought if enemies shoot them then they will shoot to the village people or the village people will step on the booby-traps or land mines first or the village people will die first. About their society with the village people, she said that when the PL and VM want to have a chat or meeting with the village people, they just give a brief about communism and the policy of communist to the people, and they try to let the village

people call all bad names of the people who are still loving to stay in the freeworld and freedom way. Most of the time the PL and VM tried and try to teach or educate the young people to know and understand the heart of Communism or the policy of great Communist in the world but all the hear to of Communism like those - All people must work or do everything for the Communist Government, must live and die together for the communist Government, must divide their own properties to the Communist Government without refusing, must do everything in according to the order of leaders, no properties belong to nobody, must blame the people who are staying in the side of the freeworld and freedom together and must fight and kill the people who did not agree with the great policy of Communists absolutely. If the somebody is a girl or lady; the PL and VM train her to know how to dance and make the entertainment for them in every day or whenever they need her to show. About their Co-operation with village people, the PL and VM just use the village people to do everything like the animals and use the village people to work without wages at all - "Sire" I have even asked the General Kong Le; he said that all the people who are Laotians people and who stay in Xieng Khouang and Ban Ban there are approximately 2000 La families and 28, 000 people; they did not like the PL and VM, but some of those people they like the PL and VM about 500 people who did not have any education at all; now he said that since he broke with the PL and VM: all the Lao people who like the neutrality they are trying to flee away from the PL and VM in everyday and try to stay in his side or in our side exactly.

"Now on that day 4/5/1963 I and TOM WARD spent a night at Ban Ta with holding commodities for Tan "POP" come first, because my daddy "POP" did not show up on that day by lacking of transportation and then in the evening later about 18:00 PM., we both walked down to the Lao village with my old friend who is a Kong Le's soldier for eating, but we bought two big chickens for making a good roasting, when the whole thing finished to eat, we ate with a head of family at onehouse including two or three K.L. company commanders, they have had two jars of Loua Hai whisky: we all chatted cheerfully; when we finished to do that, we went back to sleep at the airstrip with our USAID commodities. At night on that day is about 23:00 PM. there was a heavy rain, big storm with bad thunder and mosquitoes to bother us and then we moved down to the Lao village again for sleeping until the morning, I myself often woke up, because that village I have never been before and it also closed to Ban Ban about 8 kilometres by walking:

In the morning is about 06:50 we woke up and then went up to the airstrip again for waiting Tan "OP" come; during our waiting at the airstrip, there was a Neo commander to come to invite us to go up the high hill for the breakfast: we asked him that how far is it? He said, may be walk about 10 minutes, but we walked with him about 35 minutes with climbing up the high hill, when we got through that pace and then we started to eat; when

we were eating: we heard the shells of 105 Mm. mortar to drop down to the hills at the other side of that Lao village about 20 rounds by the PL and VM shooting to the troops of K.L.'s soldiers: on that time I talked to Mr. TOM WARD that here we are in the war now and I said to him that we would like to have some of American who never saw a war or shooting like this, to come to stay with us right now and I thought that he will shake up and TOM WARD said "how about us buddy" I said "Baw Pan Yang" never mind, and at the sametime we saw Helio come with Tan "POP" and then we ran down the hill to divide commodities to the new refugees when three of us finished to do that and then we went to the other places further.

"Sir" Mr. Gullion

In Summary,

Here is your terrific questions to ask me about the PL and VM as follows.....

- "1" How did the PL and VM treat the refugees when they were all living in the same area?
- "2" Did any bad things happen to the people?
- "3" What did the PL and VM tell them about Americans?
- "4" Did they starve the people?
- "5" Were they bad people?

Answer outlinely

Here is my exact answer in what I have seen with my eyes, heard with my ears and asked them with my mouth as follows.....

- "1" When the PL and VM were all living in the same area with refugees; they treat refugees by using them to work without wages or pays, without softly consolation, and without sympathy at all and when they gave refugees a rest, they just trained them refugees with their communism and practise the policy of communist in what they told them, and no giving something free to refugees without working.
- "2" "Yes" there were many bad things happen to the people like they robbed the people's properties, killed them, lied them, pressed them to do in what they did not want to do too.

"3" The PL and VM tell them about American in five ways...

- (1) Americans tried to make the war to kill themselves and to kill their relations between Lao people to Lao-people.
- (2) Americans went to occupy their home or country and then use this country to be a big base of war with communists.
- (3) Americans went to get the Lao people to be Americans's slaves.
- (4) Americans came to help Lao-People with big obligations (make them dependent).
- (5) Americans come to Laos for making dangerous relation-ships with Lao-people, and all of us have to fight them, kill them and call all bad names of Americans in whatever we could,

"4" "Yes" they were, because they were very bad rascals to the people who are still loving the freedom and free world and they are also making enemies to the world peace of all people who are having their own free opinion and free idea etc....

At the end of my answering to your questions. I am hoping that you will be glad to read it, if you understand it good in what I meant and then you may give me again to answer in what you want, but something in what I am wishing you to do for me I thought you will not have any problems at all and the whole things that I wrote down or work for you right now, this is my tight working I hoped that you knew well. Hoping that you will be quite well as the same as I am.

Yours truly me

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