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## BULLETIN No. 53

### THEM DOCUMENTS

<u>Doc Lo No</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Capture Data</u>
12-1375-65	Blank individual issue control slip  Blank individual issue control slip signed by Tran Van Hien Commander of AQ21, and Vien, adjutant.  [No further exploitable information]	14 Dec 65, vic. AT995222, 3d MIF Received DEC: 18 December 1965
12-1376-65	Personnel letter  Undated letter from Nguyen thi Kim Nhi in NVN (address unknown) to her brother Nguyen Huy Duc LBN.1704 TQ, Bac Nam (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri.	14 Dec 65, AT995222, 3d MIF Received DEC: 18 Dec 65.
	[No further exploitable information]	
12-1377-65	Personal letter  Letter dated 10 August 1965 from Nguyen Van Tao, Phu Thuong 2 Hamlet, Hong Phu Village, Hoang Hoa District, Thanh Hoa Province, to his son Nguyen Van Tao LBN. 1702 TQ, Bac Nam (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri, relating the frightening US airstrikes on Thanh Hoa since 2 - 3 March 1965 and their constant threat on the family's life.	14 Dec 65, AT995222, 3d MIF Received DEC: 18 Dec 65.
	[No further exploitable information]	
12-1378-65	Accounts report  Report on allowances brought in from North Vietnam by the 195th Battalion (signed by Vien).  Battalion cadre: 700 VND each Company cadre: 450 VND each Platoon cadre: 250 VND each Soldiers: 150 VND each  Total strength: 400 men.	14 Dec 65, vic. AT995222, 3d MIF Received DEC: 18 Dec 65.

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Total allowance brought in: 68,700 VND  
 Special allowance: 12,000 VND  
 80,700 VND

Expenditures as of 10 December 1965: 94,554 VND  
 Total received from the battalion  
 commander: 102,600 VND  
 Additional receipts: 14,000 VND  
 Balance on hand: 21,946 VND

[No further exploitable information]

12-1379-65\* Standardized form 14 Dec 65, AT95222  
 30 lines  
 VC Top Secret organic equipment log of P.V. company C1, 19th Battalion listing serial numbers of equipment and rank and name of recipients. Received LAC:  
 16 December 1965.

Equipment included: 5 K54 pistols, 26 sub-machine guns, 54 G.C. rifles, 6 12.7 machine guns, binoculars, compasses and entrenching tools.

12-1380-65 Personal letter 14 Dec 65, AT95222  
 30 lines  
 Received LAC:  
 18 December 1965.

Letter dated 28 June 1965 from Loan Thi Da, Son Thuy Village Health Station, Huong Son District, Ha Tinh Province (LVI) to Phan Trong Phuc LHM 1702 T4, Bac Nam (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri.

[No further exploitable information]

12-1381-65 Personal letter 14 Dec 65, AT95222  
 30 lines  
 Received LAC:  
 18 December 1965.

Undated letter from Phan Tuy, Trang My Hamlet, Son Ho Village, Huong Son District, Ha Tinh Province (LVI) to his brother Phan Van Lung, LHM - 1700 T4, Bac Nam (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri.

[No further exploitable information]

12-1382-65 Personal letter 14 Dec 65, AT95222  
 30 lines  
 Received LAC:  
 18 December 1965.

Letter dated 5 August 1965 from Hoang Hiep Quoc, Thien Phu Village, Thien Ho District to his nephew Nguyen Van Lai, LHM 1708 T4, Bac Nam (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri.

[No further exploitable information]

\* Full translation follows.

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12-1303-55

Allowance issue report

14 Dec 65, vic.  
AT995222, 3d IAF  
Received LAC:  
18 December 1965.

Report of cash disbursed for allowances from total funds brought along by an unidentified unit, possibly the 195th Battalion.

Unit composition: Battalion headquarters, 1st, 2d and 3d companies.

Strength: 15 company ranking cadre, 4 battalion ranking cadre, 20 platoon ranking cadre and 359 soldiers.

Total brought along:                    115,600 VND  
Total disbursed for allowances:        80,358 VND

Balance on hand:                        35,242 VND

[No further exploitable information]

2-1304-55

Personal letter

14 Dec 65, AT995222  
3d IAF  
Received LAC:  
18 December 1965.

Unclassified letter from Luang Van Dice, Mau Khanh Hamlet, Huan, Khanh Village, Huan, Hoa District Thanh Hoa Province, to his son Huan, Tan Hien, Ldi. 1706 Tu, Huc Hai (added by VC postal personnel) Quang Tri.

[No further exploitable information]

12-1305-55

Personal diary

14 Dec 65, AT995222  
3d IAF  
Received LAC:  
18 December 1965.

Indications are that the diary was donated to the writer, Nguyen Van Truan, a member of the 1954 Vanguard Group by the Chief of 306th Division rear service Staff (whose signature is illegible) on 22 Jan 65. The seal on the first page of the diary reads: P.VII, 300th Division, Rear Service Staff.

The writer's unit left NVN Phu Tho Province on 25 Jul 65, crossed mountain pass 1001 on 29 Aug 65, then and river on 30 Aug 65, moved on hilly terrain starting on 2 Sept 65, penetrated NVN territory on 25 Sept 65 and reached the permanent commo liaison station of P.VII on 5 Oct 65. On 18 Nov 65, the writer's unit participated in the Hiep Huc battle.

There are two noteworthy entries:

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1. "During the night of 13 Aug 65 [Still in  
LNN] unit walked through underground tunnels  
of a mountain. It was a risky march because  
there were illumination flares".
2. "On 23 Oct 65, subdt. was ins status  
report to Division. This report will be hand-  
carried by someone when he goes  
to attend a meeting".
- 11-1385-35# Political training document  
Political training document, dated 20  
September 1965, unsigned, outlining the Party  
rural policy.  
The copy belongs to Duong Ba Loi, 440 [TN];  
Possibly 40th Battalion.
- 11-1387-35 Personal letter  
Letter dated 5 August 1965 from Nguyen Van Lu,  
Thanh Hoa to his brother Nguyen Van Loi, LNN,  
1706 Td, Duc Hoa, (added by VC postal personnel);  
Quang Tri.  
[No further exploitable information]
- 12-1388-35 Personal letter  
Letter dated 19 April 1965 from Phan Vinh,  
Quang Tri, to his brother Phan Hoang (Quang), unit  
17, I.4, c/o I.50.  
Letter was returned to sender as addresses could  
not be located.  
[No further exploitable information]
- 12-1389-35 Personal letter  
Undated letter from Le Thi Thuan, Quang Tri, to  
Trach, Do Trach, Quang Binh, to her husband,  
Nguyen Mau Hov, LNN, 1633 HT, Duc Hoa.  
Envelope bears Hanoi Post Office mark on 9 Jul 65.  
[No further exploitable information]

14 Dec 65, AT995222  
3d INF (3d Marine  
Division)  
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