

surrendered to me on 20 August 1955 with his family. They were escorted to Stung-Treng.

The raiders are Viet-Minh according to the information brought to me on 17 August 1955 by my soldiers returning from Voeunsai. The inhabitants of Bake told them that they saw five armed Viet-Minh soldiers dressed in grey uniform. During the attacks on Voeunsai we did not see any movement of the raiders in this area.

Third witness: SUB LIEUT. CHU SAVONG.

When examined on 30 August 1955 at Voeunsai he stated that the patrol which had gone out to B.LOCH and P.ROCK villages had come back and had gone to rejoin their unit. In the village at B.LOCH they found only four children and no one else. The patrol spent the whole day in that village. According to them the inhabitants had gone to their fields some distance away from their village. A six-year boy told them that about ten days ago the village was raided and lost ten bags of rice. The patrol did not go to P.Rock.

(Note: This witness was also examined by the Special Team at Voeunsai on 24 August 1955).

Fourth witness: NOU-PHIT.

He surrendered to the authorities at Siem-Pang on 20 August. He gave himself up as the living conditions in Siempoy had become rather acute. His parents were in Stung Treng.

He was school teacher at Voeunsai in January 1951 and joined the Viet Minh Forces in February 1951. Got military and political training in Annam province at Nge An. Period 6 months. Was sent to Attopeu as in-charge propaganda. Stayed there for one year.

In April 1954 was a member of the band approximately one battalion which attacked Voeunsai. Stayed in Voeunsai to conduct propaganda.

After Cease-Fire he was appointed Chief of Propaganda by the Viet Minh for Stung-Treng. Stayed for 2 months at Banting Chak. Then crossed over to Attopeu (Laos) and surrendered in Nov 54 to Laotian Government. Was jobless and did farming in Siempoy until his surrender on 20 Aug.

There are 4 Cambodian families still in Siempoy.

Kan, another leader of the bandits, is still in Siempoy.

Both of them did not take part in the recent attacks on Voeunsai.

He has absolutely no knowledge about the presence of any Viet Minh troops at Attopeu or Siempoy. In his opinion, these attackers are jobless ex-soldiers who commit banditry to obtain food, etc.