

193. SCHORR ALLEGATION (VVAW-WSI)

ALLEGATION: 1. Murder of unidentified VN.  
2. Desecration of graves.  
3. Destruction of private property.

SUBJECT/SUSPECTS: 1. Unidentified CPT and LT of unidentified units.  
2. Mr. Schorr (see COMPLAINANT).  
3. Unidentified members of Mr. Schorr's former unit.  
4. Unidentified members of an unknown tank unit.

COMPLAINANT: Mr. Sam Schorr, former SP4, 86th Combat Engineers, Sep 66 - Sep 67.

BACKGROUND: Between 31 Jan and 2 Feb 71, at Detroit, MI, Mr. Schorr testified at the "Winter Soldier Investigation" (WSI) as a member of an organization identified as Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW). Mr. Schorr alleged that while assigned to his unit, on one occasion he witnessed an unidentified CPT and LT assist 5 VN into a helicopter and shortly thereafter Schorr observed 3 of the 5 VN fall from the helicopter near the LT who waited on the ground. Mr. Schorr also observed American soldiers throwing C-ration cans at children along the side of the road causing the children, at times, to fall under the moving vehicles. Mr. Schorr also testified that he and members of his unit, while operating heavy construction equipment, indiscriminately excavated the earth with no regard to graves and caused destruction to rice paddies. Also indiscriminate firing of weapons and tank guns by unidentified tank personnel causing destruction of private property.

STATUS/PROGNOSIS: Investigation completed; insufficient evidence.

In a 10 Jul 71 telephone conversation with CID, Mr. Schorr declined to make an appointment or answer any questions concerning his allegations. He stated that all the information he had to relate was in the Congressional Record. Additionally, he stated that if the President of the United States was investigated for war crimes, he (Schorr) would release information relative to his testimony.

WITNESSES: Not identified.

INITIATED BY WHOM: AGC; WSI material is contained in Congressional Records of 6 and 7 Apr 71.

RESPONSE TO INITIATOR: AGC notified of review and evaluation.

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