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202. STARK ALLEGATION (VVAW-WSI)

- ALLEGATION:
1. Indiscriminate use of fire power resulting in the death of unidentified VN.
 2. Maltreatment of PW's.

SUBJECT/SUSPECTS: Unknown.

COMPLAINANT: Mr. David Stark, former SP5, 524th MI Det, Oct 67 - Oct 68.

BACKGROUND: Between 31 Jan and 2 Feb 71, at Detroit, MI, Mr. Stark testified at the "Winter Soldier Investigation" (WSI) as a member of an organization identified as the Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW). Mr. Stark alleged to the dropping of 6,500 pounds of bombs and the strafing of the Cholon area (Saigon) during late Feb 68. 1,300 to 1,400 bodies were found. It was estimated that 300 VC were in this area. Mr. Stark also testified to the maltreatment of PW's.

STATUS/PROGNOSIS: Investigation completed; unsubstantiated.

In a CID interview, Mr. Stark stated that he personally saw no bodies, was unable to identify the aircraft used in the bombing of Cholon, was unable to identify the military units conducting the clean up operation, and did not witness the maltreatment of PW's except on one occasion when he saw a PW pushed and shoved by two ARVN soldiers.

WITNESSES: Not identified.

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

RESPONSE TO INITIATOR: AGC notified of review and evaluation.

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