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VN civilians rewarded for Hoi Chanhs

FIRE BASE MOORE – A monetary reward awaits Vietnamese civilians who can persuade a Viet Cong to rally to firendly forces under the Chieu Hoi Program.

The first known Vietnamese to take advantage of the new program was a Tiger Scout working with the 9th Division's 6th Battalion, 31st Infantry.

The Tiger Scout convinced a Viet Cong, who had jumped into a woodline, to Chieu Hoi and the enemy also surrendered his M-1 carbine rifle.

Moments later he told the Tiger Scout the location of seven more VC, who were also hiding from the Old Reliable troops. Three of the VC were found and detained.

"We want all the Vietnamese civilians to try and persuade the VC to Chieu Hoi," said Major Charles Stephens, Springfield Mo., Recondo Brigade civil affairs officer.

Rewards vary, according to Stephens, depending on the rank of the VC, who Chieu Hois. "We're looking for dolden results from the armed propaganda teams because they were also Chieu Hois at one time and have developed progressive skills," he added.