

VIETNAM-ERA STATISTICAL REPORT

AMERICANS UNACCOUNTED - FOR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

COMPONENT	COUNTRY OF LOSS					TOTALS
	VN	VS	LA	CB	CH	
ARMY	10	412	73	25	0	520
NAVY	254	82	17	0	7	360
MARINE CORPS	22	164	17	4	0	207
AIR FORCE	180	125	189	17	0	511
COAST GUARD	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIVILIANS	1	19	6	5	0	31
TOTALS	467	802	302	51	7	1,629
PURSUIT STATUS						
FURTHER PURSUIT	190	430	270	42	4	936
DEFERRED	27	46	11	1	0	85
NO FURTHER PURSUIT	250	326	21	8	3	608
TOTALS	467	802	302	51	7	1,629

VN = VIETNAM, NORTH

VS = VIETNAM, SOUTH

CB = CAMBODIA

CH = CHINA

LA = LAOS

AMERICANS ACCOUNTED - FOR (Post - January 27, 1973)

VIETNAM	704	
CHINA	3	
LAOS	271	
CAMBODIA	39	
TOTALS	1,017	

This update reports the accounting of U.S. Army CW3 James Larry Phipps, CW3 Rainer Sylvester Ramos, SSG Warren Emery Newton, and U.S. Navy LTJG Neil Brooks Taylor, all previously missing from South Vietnam. This update also reports the accounting of U.S. Navy LT Richard Champ Clark, previously missing from North Vietnam, U.S. Army SSG Bunyan Durant Price, Jr., previously missing from Cambodia, and CMSgt Edwin Everton Morgan, previously missing from Laos. This update also includes the change in country-of-loss from Laos to South Vietnam for two servicemen; one USA and one USAF.

U.S. GOVERNMENT EFFORTS: Since the fall of Saigon in 1975, the U.S. Government has acquired 23,551 reports possibly pertaining to Americans in Southeast Asia:

SUMMARY OF REPORTS

FIRSTHAND LIVE SIGHTINGS	1,994
HEARSAY SIGHTINGS REPORTS	5,606
CRASH/GRAVE SITES	5,943
DOGTAGS	10,008
TOTAL	23,551

- a. Of the 1,994 firsthand reports received since 1975, 1,941 (97.34%) reports are resolved.
 - 1,340 (67.20%) reports were equated to Americans who are accounted for (i.e., PW returnees, missionaries, civilians jailed at various times for violation of Vietnamese codes).
 - 45 (2.26%) reports were correlated to wartime sightings of military personnel or pre-1975 sighting of civilians who remain unaccounted for.
 - 556 (27.88%) reports were determined to be fabrications.

- b. The remaining 53 (2.66%) unresolved firsthand reports represent the focus of the U.S. Government analytical and collection efforts:
 - 46 (2.31%) pertain to Americans reported in a captive environment.
 - 7 (0.35%) reported sightings of Americans in a non-captive environment (i.e. working as truck drivers; married with Vietnamese family).

- c. Since mid-1982, 10,008 “dog tag” reports have been received on over 10,000 names.
 - Generally speaking 93% of those names reported are individuals who returned to the U.S. alive
 - 5% correspond to U.S. remains that have been recovered/identified and buried in the U.S.
 - and 2% relate to individuals who remain unaccounted for.

- d. In all instances, dog tag reports receive thorough investigative attention, to include informing the military services of those reports with valid names so next- of- kin may be advised as appropriate.

The following timeline presents an overview of unresolved firsthand sightings by the year of the sighting:

TIMELINE: UNRESOLVED LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS

Pre-1976	1976-1985	1986-1995	1996-2005	2006-2015	Total
36	3	1	12	1	53