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WASHINGTON, D.C.



REPLY TO
ATTN OF:

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3 July 19

Dear Air Force Next of Kin

I am writing to invite you to attend a personal briefing program which will be conducted for the next of kin of missing in action and captured Air Force personnel residing in your general area. The time and location of the briefing are indicated on the attached information sheet, and it is not necessary for you to notify us as to whether you plan to come.

The briefing will be sponsored by the Air Force Casualty Division in conjunction with representatives of the Department of Defense and the State Department. Its purpose is to update you and the other next of kin attending on those matters affecting Air Force members who have been downed over Southeast Asia. The agenda that will be followed is also contained on the attachment. Due to the sensitive nature of portions of the briefing, plus the fact that facilities will be limited, attendance must of necessity be restricted to adult primary and secondary next of kin. Normally, these categories only include wives and parents. I trust you will understand.

You will be interested to know that similar briefings will be presented at a number of other major Air Force installations throughout the country so that the majority of the next of kin will have the opportunity to attend. However, the briefing to which you have been invited is the only one scheduled for your area at this time.

I truly hope that you will be able to attend.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. G. Luther", is written over the typed name.

J. G. LUTHER, Colonel, USAF
Directorate of Personnel Services

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Information Sheet on Briefing Program

BRIEFING FOR THE NEXT OF KIN
OF
MISSING IN ACTION AND CAPTURED PERSONNEL

9:00 a.m., 15 July 1969

Building #397 (Officers Club)

MacDill AFB, Florida

Introduction	Lt Colonel R. J. Burns Casualty Division Headquarters USAF
Briefing	Mr. Richard G. Capen, Jr. Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs)
Briefing	Mr. Charles W. Havens Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs)
Briefing	Mr. Frank A. Sieverts Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of State
Announcements	Lt Colonel R. J. Burns Prisoner of War Film
Plans for Processing Returned Prisoners	Lt Colonel Gordon M. Haggard Casualty Liaison Officer Headquarters USAF (Pentagon)

Please note that due to limited billeting facilities you should make your own arrangements if you decide to remain overnight. Also, any travel expenses or arrangements are the responsibility of the traveler.