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Bill - FYI -
in case you
did not
receive.

SENATOR BOB SMITH
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TO Ann

FROM Dino L. Carluccio, Legislative Assistant

DATE 1/17

COMMENTS:

FYI - This makes you wonder
about the quality of JTF analyses
in general.

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January 12, 1995

General James W. Wold, USAF-ret.
Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense
for POW/MIA Affairs
Defense POW/MIA Office
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Dear Jim:

I am concerned about the attached information from JTF-FA, which I received from a POW/MIA family member. It is confusing to me, and even misleading. As such, I would appreciate it if you would respond to the following questions, as they involve, in part, questions of standard policies which I would expect your office to approve and coordinate:

1. Is it DPMO policy that the names of Vietnamese witnesses to loss incidents are deemed to be "source" names which will not be provided to the primary next of kin?

2. Is it DPMO policy that information about such witnesses, such as their names or addresses, will be provided to the Vietnamese Office for Seeking Missing Personnel (VNOSMP)?

3. JTF-FA's J2 Intelligence Division states that the information from the source "generally correlates to the REFNO 0343 incident." However, the Commanding officer of JTF-FA's DET 2 in Hanoi states that the information "possibly correlates to unresolved case 0305" and "tentatively correlates to unresolved case 0261." Is it, therefore, correct for the primary next of kin of case 0343 to assume that the information can be potentially correlated to 3 different loss incidents?

4. Has a copy of the letter from the Vietnamese source referenced in the JTF-FA documents been provided to the primary next of kin of the above-referenced cases, along with an English translation?

5. On what dates, since September, 1993, has JTF-FA queried Vietnamese officials for additional information concerning the

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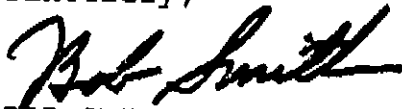
Handwritten note:
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reference to the case 0343 shutdown contained in the Group 559 document provided to U.S. officials in 1993?

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to reviewing your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "B".

BOB SMITH
United States Senator

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enclosure



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To: Headquarters, Air Force Military Personnel Center
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Subj: TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENT - REFNO 0343

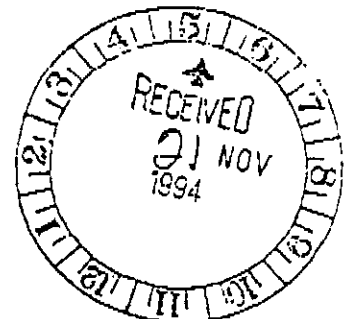
Encl: (1) Information Report Preliminary Evaluation VN94-028
of 29 Aug 94 (2 Copies),

1. Enclosure (1) is provided for release to the next of kin of
ANDRE R. GUILLET and LEE D. HARLEY (REFNO 0343-0-01 and 02).

2. The JTF-FA has sanitized the enclosed document by deleting
U.S. personnel and source names per Executive Order 12812, 22 Jul
94, and Title 5, U.S. Code 552a (Privacy Act). In no instance
has substantive material been removed.

Charles R. Marineau, Jr.
CHARLES R. MARINEAU, JR.
By direction

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DETACHMENT TWO/US MIA OFFICE
DOC NGU STREET, HANOI, VIETNAM

From: DET 2, JTFFA
To: Commander, JTFFA
Attn: J2

JTFFA RPT VN94-028
29 August 1994

Subj: Alleged U.S. Aircraft Loss and Burial Location in Laos
Encl: Letter received at Detachment 2 on 24 August 1994

1. Source/administrative data:

- a. Name: [REDACTED] ([REDACTED])
- b. DOB: Unknown
- c. Present position: Unknown
- d. Current location: Sub-Hamlet 2 (Xoms 2), Do Nha Hamlet (Thoong Do Nha), Tan Tien Village (Xax Taan Tieens), An Hai District, Hai Phong Municipality
- d. Date of interview: N/A
- e. Date of information: 24 August 1994

2. Summary. In a letter dated 10 June 1994, the source provided information on an American pilot and aircraft loss in southern Laos. The source claims to know the pilot's burial location. This information possibly correlates to one unresolved case and tentatively correlates to another.

3. Information.

a. In the letter, the source provided information on the loss circumstances for an L-19 aircraft in Khammouan Province, southern Laos. The source wrote he was stationed in an engineer battalion in 1966 responsible for opening the Ho Chi Minh Trail in that region on Route 20A. In the beginning of the rainy season in 1966, he observed a 37mm AAA unit shoot down one L-19 aircraft and damage another. The two aircraft were possibly reconnoitering Route 20A.

b. The source claimed the pilot was in the aircraft at the time of impact and a later investigation at the crash site revealed that the pilot was an American captain. The source did not recall the pilot's name or age. However, he claimed to remember the pilot's burial location and offered his assistance in finding it.

4. Comments:

a. This information possibly correlates to unresolved case 0305 based on aircraft type, incident location, and incident date. This case involves a 19 April 1966 O-1F loss in Boulapha District, Khammouan Province, Laos. A pilot of another U.S.