

ROBERT A. REARDON

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Mrs. A. Onassis

Dear Mrs. Onassis:

I am enclosing a letter written to Prince Sihanouk concerning my son, LTjg Richard J. Reardon.

I understand from the Navy Casualty Department that you are friendly with Prince Sihanouk and his wife and you were instrumental in getting some Navy personnel released from Cambodia a while back.

Only someone like yourself who has had such great personal tragedy can understand what we are going through, especially since our State Department has blacked out the information that should be released to us, because of the delicate situation between the Cambodian government and the United States government.

If you could only find out if our son is definitely dead or by some miracle alive in Cambodia, this would be of the greatest help. We have no proof of Dick's death, or no word of any American personnel military or otherwise who actually saw Dick dead. Evidently his Commander and his fellow pilots are not able to give us the details because of restrictions.

I hate to be bothersome, but if you will help us in some little way, we would more than appreciate it.

I want to wish you much happiness in your new life, you more than deserve it.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert A. Reardon*  
*Evelyn Reardon*

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