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Dear Tom,

Perhaps you will be willing to help me. I was a Slick pilot with the 175th Assault Helicopter Company, Vinh Long, Viet Nam (1968-1969).

I was working in the Muc Hoa(IV Corps) area in April 1969. I heard a May-Day call over the radio.

A pair of SEAWOLF gunships had been shot down just north of Muc Hoa (in Cambodia). We picked up one fellow (he had lost his leg below the knee) and the full crew of the second gunship. I medevaced them to Muc Hoa.

Both crews were shot up and I had always wondered how they ended up. I tried to find out through the Navy, but they denied that any incidence like that ever happened. At that time, Americans were not allowed to cross the border into Cambodia. I always surmised that the SEAWOLF'S were engaged with the bad guys and pursued across the border without knowing that they had crossed into Cambodia. A whole bunch of bad guys must have been waiting for them because both aircraft were shot down pretty close to one another.

At your convention in Pensacola, will you see if anybody knows of this incident and can tell me how the crews ended up?

I sure would appreciate the knowledge. It is one of those unanswered things that bug you from time to time and you always wonder. Thank you very much.

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