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Live Sighting Reports

If all the POW/MIAs missing in Vietnam are dead, as some skeptic say, then how is it possible in 1997 to be receiving live sighting reports from sources (witnesses) in S.E. Asia? If all the POW/MIAs missing in Vietnam are dead, as some skeptics say, why is the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) staffed with 100's of people, collecting, analyzing, and investigating LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS?

The DIA has a unit called the DPMO (Defense Prisoner of War and Missing in Action Office) headed by a General James Wold, headquartered in Crystal City, Virginia which looks at LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS of Americans who went missing as a result of the Vietnam War, Cold War, Korean War, and as far back as WWII. Investigators are looking for clues in China, Russia, Chez, and other Eastern Bloc countries, who were friends and allies of Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodian Communists, during the Vietnam War (as well as the Eastern block countries who were friends with the North Korean Communist, during the Korean War). These countries in fact do have information on Americans who were captured, those who were not returned (released dead or alive).

The DIA, in 1997, is still running live sighting investigation teams, under the name of Stoney Beach. Stoney Beach Teams actually travel the country side, in S.E. Asia, looking for live Americans, in 1997. Why? Because DIA is still receiving, in 1997, LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS.

From April 1975 to August 1981 DIA had received 1,204 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. From August 1981 to May 1992 DIA received another 3,083 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. From May 1992 to June 1995 DIA received another 1,316 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. And, from June 1995 to January 1997 DIA received another 340 LIVE REPORTS. In total DIA has received 5,943 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. Very clearly, LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS are still coming into DIA, so how can the POW issue be describe as a dead issue?

The JTF-FA (Joint Task Force - Full Accounting) based in Hawaii, who is headed by a General Officer, is tasked to find the remains of dead Americans. During JTF-FA field investigations/excavations at crash sites and grave sites in S.E. Asia, the JTF-FA visits several villages in the areas where losses occurred to see if they can find witnesses who remember where the dead bodies are buried. However, during these visits to several villages the keep collecting LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, from the local people, who voluntarily step forward and tell of live Americans, they had or have seen or heard about. Between May 1992 and June 1995 the JTF-FA received 100 LIVE SIGHTING RE-

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1996 Evidence Kit

A group of current and former intelligence officers has put together an educational package of material called the "Evidence Kit" written for educators and elected officials. With the "Evidence Kit" you can show history professors at Colleges and High Schools the evidence of live POWs, so they might teach their students about the POW/MIAs. With the "Evidence Kit" you can meet with your Congressman & Senator to show them the proof & evidence of live POWs. Included in the "Evidence Kit": 4300 live sighting reports; returned POWs debriefings; CIA & DIA reports; 309 discrepancy cases; select bio-sheets; how and where to get newly declassified POW intelligence reports. With the kit you can hold "show trials" to present the live POW data to the press and the public. Buy your history teacher, congressman, and senator a live POW "Evidence Kit".

To order, send $25.00 for each "Evidence Kit" to:

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The POW Educational Fund
P.O. Box 735
Stewartstown Station, PA 17363
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PORTS of which 54 were received in 1994, alone.

The FIRST HAND live sightings from eye witnesses, are separated from the second hand or hearsay reports, by DIA, then if DIA evaluates the report as valid (a believable report), the report is analyzed and compared to the DIA database of "known to be true" facts (based upon other report providers who have passed the test as a provider of provable facts). Once a live sighting report is accepted as valid, it is then set up to be field investigated. Some source report providers are given polygraph tests (lie detector tests) to make sure they are not being deceptive. The report originator is placed under several tests to shake him or her up or dis-lodge their story, using several intelligence interrogation techniques. One of the most commonly used techniques is to ask "control questions" (questions to which the answers are already known) and if the report provider is unable to accurately describe items, in an "already known" area, then even if the report provider passed the lie detector test, showing no deception, their data is considered to be suspect. After all types of scrutiny by the DIA, some source providers data stands up as, evaluated as valid and is then field investigated.

What does all this mean? Well, DIA has been and is receiving validated LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, from April 1975 through January 1997, but DIA continues to make the stated public assurance that, most of the reports they have received on live Americans are equated to released (returned) POWs or that most of the reports are not conformable. DIA says most reports are out dated or old information, when received and as such, the DIA has not been able to verify the reports. Some reports received at the DIA that are current and accurate, do sit around in a stack or pile, waiting to be assigned to an evaluator (analysts), then when an evaluation is written, the report goes up the chain

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of command to a review board, who might send it back to the analysis to be re-evaluated or re-assign the report to a field interviewer, in order to ask the source more questions about his or her sighting information. The field interviewer then tries to re-contact the source, which sometimes is impossible, because the source is a refugee nd has moved away from the last known location or the source is a businessman who is traveling. Thus, when the DIA gets around to deciding that the report and its provider are sincere, when the report passes analytical review, re-investigation is completed and the questions asked of the source, on the second or third interview are determined to be accurately answered, the source report is most likely, several months old and no longer considered to be current (even though the report has passed the test, as considered to be valid). A report must be both valid and current in order for DIA to act upon the report and the report must come from three independent source providers of which one must be an American controlled provider (NSA, CIA, DIA agent or U.S. Army Intelligence) to be considered as valid.

To add to this process there are several levels and departments where LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS are shuffled from Desk A to Desk B in several departments; tasking other agencies and waiting for their feedback report. In this process files are misplaced and/or sit around on someone's desk, with no real priority attached to them. This process is a very big mess!

If this sounds like bureaucracy, it is. Files coming in from all over the world, with no managing or tracking system in place, to put a priority on the massive flow of incoming, LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. There are even those who put the LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS in their drawer, to go to lunch, but when they return, their boss has called a meeting to discuss a higher priority project, thus a review of the LIVE SIGHTING REPORT may take several weeks. There are those employees who have become complacent, conical, and skeptical of LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, thus some reports are forget about for days. Some employees finish their tour of duty or as transfer to another assignment, leaving behind unfinished business, without providing or passing on "corporate knowledge" (what was being done on a particular file) to their replacement. At times the replacement is on vacation and does not get to the assignment for up to 30 days after the person they are replacing has already left, for an overseas assignment. So, there are a lot of loose ends and no chain of responsibility. It is up to management at DIA/DPMO to whip this mess into shape, track down the seemingly valid reports and prioritize them, for field investigation. Straightening out the mess is probably the toughest job in the world, with MIA families barking for answers, MIA activist complaining about the lack of efficiency and some Congressman and Senators demanding swift answers as to why something that should have been done, were not done.

We have to accept that LIVE SIGHTING REPORT, must be investigated, one at a time. So, where are the "Result Reports"? Where are the "Result Reports" that tell what was done on a particular LIVE SIGHTING REPORT and where are the "After Action Reports" that tell about the effort to investigate each particular report. Where is the time line when the report was received, analyzed, reviewed, and then was field investigation conducted and completed? The "Result Reports" are all missing from public view (classified). No "After Action Reports" are in the public eye; they are all hidden from view. The oversight panel that meets, at least once a week, at DIA, to review tasking (investigation requests) and progress reports on LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS is compartmentalized, so no outside Senate review board or Congressional oversight panel can review its work, in progress or completed tasking. No House or Senate Intelligence Committee or S.E. Asian Affairs Committee or Veterans Affairs Committee make up of elected officials, is positioned to conduct open public debate or guidance hearings, that reviews the specific subject of LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, of Americans reported missing and imprisoned in foreign countries. While 100's of DIA's employees are involved in several countries, conducting investigation the LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, no one who is an elected official, of the U.S. government, has the assigned responsibility of re-

viewing questions of, why we are still receiving LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS and what is being done about them?

Unfortunately, Americans got trapped in foreign countries and are not allowed to leave or return to America; and it is indeed unfortunate that no open public forum is willing to review, discuss or investigate these cases of missing Americans who were taken as prisoners, at one point in time and not released or accounted-for.

THE INSIDER wants you to be aware of these facts on captured American prisoners and is publishing LIVE SIGHTING REPORT data and information to call attention to the improper and inequitable way in which these reports are treated in the American society. Please review the following information and pass it on to your elected officials for action. Do not visit the anesthesiologist and be put to sleep, by skeptics who grapple with the issue and justifying their position by saying, that because of the passage of time (1975 to 1997) their simple could not be any live American prisoners who have been kept for so long as prisoners or that prisoners could not have survived, this long. Look very clearly at the facts that do not have to be deciphered; we are still "in 1997" receiving LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS.

Do not join the non-believers who put forth the prognostication, who forecast or predict from their own simple logic, but look at and investigate present indications or signs given by human sources, witnesses who have give freely, their LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS. Remember, that behind each LIVE SIGHTING REPORT, there is a person who collected the information, who stepped forward and volunteered to tell what he or she saw or heard. None of these witnesses received a court ordered sapina, demanding that they tell what they know about live American prisoners, they all volunteered to step forward. If each witness were put, under oath, in a law suit and asked to tell the truth, some of the 5,943 stories would not hold up under cross examination and would be eliminated as fabricators or hearsay and some stories would correlate to Americans who have already been accounted for, but most first hand eye witnesses would pass the test as telling the truth and could not be eliminated in any way, under cross examination. (If here were 5,943 witnesses in O.J. Simpsons trial the verdict would be simple, guilty as charged, but in O.J. Simpsons trial there were no witnesses, only evidence; some scientific, some logical and some hearsay; there were no eye witnesses.)

It is important that you, as a reader of THE INSIDER act upon the information given, obtain a copy of the same data I am using to make this report to you, and take action with this data in your hands. First write to:

A.H. Passarella, Director FOIA +Security Review
Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense
1400 Defense Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-1400

Request a copy of the LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS provided to Michael Van Atta, Ref. 96-F-0536, 16 JAN 1997 which was a response to my March 5, 1996 Freedom of Information Act request to the Defense Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Office (DPMO), Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (POW/Missing Personnel Affairs). I asked the Director of External Affairs, Charles W. Henley at the DPMO for a current list of "source reports" received after April 30, 1992 and was assigned case number 96-F-0536 and

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given a contact point of LTC Pratt 703-697-4026. (LTC Pratt is the Director of Information and Security Review, OASA (PA) The Pentagon, Room 2C767, Washington, DC 20301-1400). It only took from March 5, 1996 to January 16, 1997 (10 months) to respond to my request, but that was because, no one had ever before, requested this information and it had to be cleared to be released. Now that these LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS are cleared for release, you can request the same list of 1,656 "source reports" and receive the information in a matter of days. To speedup your request call LTC Pratt at 703-697-4026 and ask for the list of 1,656 reports provided to Michael Van Atta in FOIA request 96-F-0536. There are 45 pages of LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS and you can obtain a copy of them directly from the U.S. government (or) to get a real fast response, SEND ME $10.00 and I will copy the list and mail it to you. With this list of LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS in your hands, you can meet with your Congressman or Senator or any skeptic and show them that there are LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS still being received in 1997, on POW/MIAs.

Now, look at the reports and see what they have to say. First, each source report is assigned a number and the first one (on page 1) which is listed is (CASE NO) 01031 (SIGHTING) POW F/H (REPORTED INFORMATION) 3 CAU CHI HOA 75-76 (DOS) 75 (LAT-LONG) 104700N 106400E (CNTRY) VS (ORGIN) B (IAC COMMENTS) TENTATIVELY RR. If you need any help decoding these column labels, call me and I will help you understand them. Turn to page 30 and highlight CASE NO 18958 DOS 1987, as this is the point where the DPMO is reporting or starts listing "new" LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS it has received after 19 JUNE 1995. Keep highlighting all reports from page 30 CASE NO 18958 through page 39 and stop at CASE NO 27606, where the 40,000 series numbers begin. Now, skip to page 44 and highlight CASE NO 42581 all the way through to the end of the report on page 45, CASE NO 99050. All of these LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS are "new", received after June 19, 1995. In total you will have highlighted 340 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS that the DIA/DPMO has received from 19 June 1995 to 9 January 1997. Now, look at some of these reports:

CASE-SIGHT-REPORTED INFORMATION-DOS-UDT-CNTY-OR

18958 pow-hsy rm+id of 1 am pilot	1987	yd775221vs	o
18979 pow-hsy ams being held captive in cb		px090713vncb	o
18986 pow-hsy 50 ams in vn, 1am in laos	1995	te476879lavn	o
18991 pow-hsy dt tag info on 1 american	1995	sx822887vs	o
18999 pow-hsy am in louangnamtha w/family		qd513185la	b
19001 pow-hsy live pow's in laos		te476879la	l
19004 pow-hsy am dt's, 3 am still alive la		te476879lavn	l
19016 pow-hsy am in sanxai (d), laos	6/95	yb240537la	g
19017 pow-hsy 1 am living free, laos		vd751311la	g
19019 pow-hsy am pow in russia	1968	zr339000ru	g
19020 pow-hsy info on 10 u.s. pows		xt200492vs	b
19031 pow-hsy id data 2 am pows + rms		xs839888vs	m
19054 pow-f/h am pilot captured in dong tien	67/68	xj421514vn	o
19060 pow-hsy "speciallist" pows rach soi	1994	wr127997vn	m
19065 pow-hsy 3 ams living near hoa hiep (v)		wt989700vn	m
19073 pow-hsy 19 names allgd ams, rms + id		xs839888vs	o
19076 pow-hsy 6-7 am rms/1 am living in laos		te476879lavn	o
19077 pow-hsy ams in tri-border area/1 blk		yb727247vncb	o

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19078	pow-hsy 6 ams allgdly living in laos	1995	te476879la	o
19085	pow-hsy bones + id of 12 americans		xs839888vs	m
19095	pow-hsy 3 sets rms + id 1 american		xs839888vs	m
19096	pow-f/h 1 am prisoner in yen bai (p)	75/76	vj875990vn	b
19100	pow-hsy id tag of romon b. vega		cp895802cb	b
19104	pow-hsy am with wife and child vn		wj883058vn	h
19112	pow-hsy photo 1 am + rms of crewmember	65	xj931196vn	m
19127	pow-hsy 4 am ho chi minh & several vn	1994	xs839888vs	b
19128	pow-f/h am held in tay ninh in a camp	1995	xt000436vs	b
19130	pow-f/h am driving a truck in a camp	1976	vk311327vn	z
19132	pow-f/h u.s.pilot in hcmc policy sta	1980	xs839888vs	c
19140	pow-hsy live ams, video tape c clement		vt836766vncb	a
19149	pow-f/h nine am in 88 in savannakhet	1988	xd350680la	g
19164	pow-hsy 1 blkam living freey	1993	xs839888vn	b
19177	pow-hsy id media of 2 ams		xs839888vs	m
19180	pow-hsy id tag, photo of id tag + rms	1987	vt836766cb	b
19182	pow-hsy 2 u.s. id + badge, rifle & gun	1994	br894596vs	c
19186	pow-hsy am living freely, dak lak (p)	1990	vs839888vs	o
19192	pow-hsy photo of dt + rms 1 am pow		vs839888vs	m
19197	pow-hsy rms + id of am serviceman	1987	bt021783vn	o
19198	pow-hsy 4 photos 1 am pilot, s. laos		te476879la	o
19207	pow-hsy location mia leyland/leland		xs839888vs	m
19214	pow-f/h as many as 70 ams held in camp	1986	xl284069vn	b
19223	pow-hsy 4-5 ams held by lao neutralist	1992	xc517379la	m
19228	pow-hsy charles duke, may be in tape	1970	dp142224vn	l
19229	pow-hsy dt/id data of 5 am mia's		xt998902vs	m
19235	pow-hsy ams living with tribes la	1994	lavn	o
19240	pow-hsy am pows living in vn/cb	1995	xt200492vscb	o
19248	pow-hsy dt info 7 ams + 1 set rms	1992	vd751311la	m
19268	pow-hsy 3 dog tags found in vietnam	1995	xs839888vs	a
19271	pow-hsy u.s. serviceman in takmok, ru		ee332888ru	g
19272	pow-hsy 30 ams held in covered pits	1995	bp18605vs	b
19338	pow-hsy id data of american mia		te476879la	l
19341	pow-hsy george ledou am pilot living	1965	te476879la	l
19343	pow-hsy am questioned by russians		wj883258vn	l
19344	pow-f/h alleged am la/vn ban ding 90	1990	yc600400lavn	c
19350	pow-hsy 17 id media + bone frags	1996	xs839888vs	o
19353	pow-f/h us prisoner/thanh tri prison 70		xh043485vn	c
19365	pow-f/h am pow in vietnam in 92-93	1993	xs839888vn	b
19370	pow-hsy id data 2 unaccounted-for ams		wq183947vs	b
19406	pow-hsy photo of michael allard	1996	ug426566la	m

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19413 pow-hsy 2 sets of rms + id tags	1996	xu086819vscb	b
19418 pow-hsy bones, skull 1 u.s. pilot	1996	xs839888vs	m
19419 pow-hsy rms + id us pilot fm soc trang		xd706376vsla	o
19422 pow-hsy 1 am living in lang son + rms	3/95	wh243648vn	o
19429 pow-hsy id tag + marksmanship medal	4/96	wu961284cb	b
19431 pow-hsy photo+ note 1 am pow, cb		vt836766cb	b
19447 pow-hsy list of names of allgd pows		vs839888vs	b
19448 pow-hsy dt's + hsy execution of pows		xs839888vs	g
19449 pow-hsy id data on 13, class ring	1996	xs839888vs	m
19454 pow-hsy 100 am pow's in ratanakiri (p)		yv168378cb	b
19457 pow-hsy 1 am mia in laos, photo + dt	1995	te476879la	o
19458 pow-hsy ltr + photo of allgd am mia	1995	te476879la	o
19462 pow-hsy 2 dt replicas + 4 photos of rms	5/96	vt836766cb	b
19465 pow-hsy id info-rms 2 am pow's	1995	te476879la	b
19473 pow-hsy rms + id 1 ampow		xe734317vn	o
19475 pow-hsy grv + id of 2 u.s. servicemen		xs912998vs	l
19484 pow-hsy 12 dt's + rms, 2 id replicas		xs839888vs	b
19488 pow-hsy "many" americans in a camp	76/84	ug108485la	g
19491 pow-hsy dt info 3 ams + rms of am mias		xs839888vs	g
19492 1 am mia living in laos		te476879la	o
19493 1 am cau capt in photo		te476879la	o
19494 1 am living in small village		te476879la	o
19497 pow-hsy 2 cau in cave near moung nhie		tk388569la	o
19503 pow-hsy 2 am pows moved to ban xoumou	1983	vg008140vn	o
19515 pow-hsy 27 ams pow camp at phou nyoua	1982	yb080491la	o
19518 pow-hsy am mia la/vn border, attopeu	1992	xb980375la	o
19521 pow-hsy dt info 1 am + several rms		xs839888vs	c
19524 pow-f/h 1 cau in cb + hsy in la	1993	xa200750cb	m
19539 pow-hsy crs site of capt. paul mcellan		ya942019vs	m
19541 pow-hsy 27 ams living in a forest + id		xs839888vs	m
19543 pow-hsy ms + dog tags 2 ams	1996	yj421514vn	o
19549 pow-hsy rms + dt of u.s. serviceman	1996	xs839888vs	m
19553 pow-hsy 30-40 am guarded in camp 1	1977	vk311277vn	c
19554 pow-f/h am soldier in re-camp vn		wh956613th	g
19555 pow-f/h am wearing soviet prison outfi	1975	uj859573vn	z
19556 pow-hsy 6 am pows held in captivity	1992	vg106450vn	o
19587 pow-hsy 4 am pows living in laos		te476879la	o
19590 pow-hsy 6 am pows lao jungle + 1 blk am	1996	we205455la	m
19592 pow-hsy cau male in leg irons, cb		yu100917cb	b
19593 pow-hsy two sets of am id data		xs839888vs	m
19598 pow-f/h 6 american pows, near attapu	1994	xb980375la	o
19606 pow-f/h 1 cau man at camp 1	76/78	vj760870vn	o
19608 pow-hsy id tag-marksmanship medal	1996	wt873252cb	b
19609 pow-hsy dog tag + rms 2 ams	1996	xu361083cb	b
19610 pow-f/h press conference with am pilot	1969	te476879la	c
19618 pow-hsy dt's of am pows held in laos	1975	te616776th	m
19621 pow-hsy 7 ams living w/former arvn	1994	br180420vs	o
19625 pow-hsy rms + id tags 3 ams	1996	yv464931cb	b
19630 pow-hsy 6 ams held in champassak (p)	1992	wb698675la	o

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19640	pow-f/h	5 americans held in attopu	1996	xb972368la g
19647	pow-hsy	release of am held in la		te476879la I
19652	pow-hsy	u.s. pilot hrdlicka in la, 69	1969	te476879la g
19655	pow-f/h	3 cau prisoners, n. phonsavan	88/89	ug933544la o
19658	pow-hsy	photo 1 am cau male + id		xs839888vs o
19659	pow-hsy	15 u.s. dogtags	1996	xs839888vs c
19665	pow-hsy	115 pows + rms + heli acft crs	1996	bs736071vs m
19670	pow-hsy	dt info + 12-18 pows/acft crs		xd102280la m
19671	pow-hsy	rms + id 2 u.s. service members	1996	xt725900vs m
19698	pow-hsy	4 am pows near moung sen, vn	1996	vg106450vn o
19709	pow-hsy	2 am id tag replicas passed on	1996	vv891038cb b
19717	pow-f/h	98-120 ams + col robertson	1996	aq795021vs m
19718	pow-f/h	u.s. pows near lao cai	74/76	uk937883vn g
19719	pow-hsy	id data on 2 am pows	1996	xs839888vs m
19722	pow-hsy	am pilot living in udomxai, la		te476879la g
19723	pow-hsy	powstransfered n. korea to cz	1968	cu412179cz v
19725	pow-f/h	interview of lt mayall	1973	wj883258vn g
19726	pow-hsy	spetzgruppa ops	68//72	wf883258vn g
19727	pow-hsy	100-300 cau prisoners vn/cb	1995	xt380950vscb m
19736	pow-hsy	skeletal rms + id 2 am pows	1996	xs839888vs m
41394	pow-hsy	40 us nr thac ba lake 78		vnla o
41732	pow-hsy	1 pw yen bai 20 pw unk		vj862994vsvn o
42581	pow-f/h	"white man under dock"	3/94	xs896443vs b
42594	pow-hsy	dog tag imprints + rms, pleiku	1995	ar848483vs c
42597	pow-hsy	10 am held in vietnam homes		wj883058vn h
42602	pow-hsy	am living in hmong village		tj 420331la c
42605	pow-hsy	am's awol living in vn		xs822887vs b
42612	pow-f/h	3 am observed in van ban city	8/77	vk120900vn j
42614	pow-hsy	danny witner in cambodia	1995	vt836766cb g
42620	pow-hsy	am in north vietnamese prison		xs839888vn m
42623	pow-hsy	3 am + rems, id media 50 ams	1996	xs839888vs o
42631	pow-hsy	pow classified comm	1969	te476879la c
42635	pow-f/h	3 am polits"hanoi hilton"	1979	xj750081vn d
42637	pow-hsy	rms + id media of 12 ams	1995	xs839888vs o
42640	pow-f/h	many foreign men in compound	1989	vd751311la m
42642	pow-hsy	ams along cb/la/vn boarder	1995	xt200492vn o
42644	pow-hsy	1 am in phongsali (p), laos	1990	sh774474la o
42656	pow-hsy	escort am to hoa lo prison	1978	wj883058vn c
42657	pow-hsy	am prisoner phu son camp	1978	xj784155vn c

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42670 pow-hsy name of many of am's	may75	uj859573vn	z
42683 pow-f/h am in military hosp, hanoi	1975	wj883258vn	g
42684 pow-f/h 8-10 ams inside plant, 76	1976	ys372475vs	g
42685 pow-hsy plant built by am pows, 75	1975	uk937883vn	g

Now review the data. Examine several cases where remains and ID data was turned over to the DIA/DPMO in case # 18958, 18991, 19031, 19073, 19085 and many others. Did DIA/DPMO notify the MIA family, that they had received information on the missing person, which indicates that he died in the enemies hands? Which Congressional Committee or Senate body reviews these cases to see that the MIA families were notified in a timely manor? Then examine the reports that show Russian involvement with U.S. POWs captured in Vietnam in case # 19019, 19271, 19343, and 19726. Who is reviewing these cases to see that the Russians are helping us solve the cases of missing Americans? Which Senate Committee is reviewing these reports on the Soviet Connection? Then examine cases # 19723 where Americans captured in Vietnam were transferred to North Korea and then to Chez. Who at the U.S. State Department is following up this report with the North Koreans and the Chez Government? Very clearly there are three independent reports frm three source, that American POWs are in Laos near Attopu as seen in case # 19640, 19518 and 19598. So has the DIA/DPMO sent a team to this location to investigate the 3 live sighting reports at Attopu? These three reports show that American POWs were in Attopu, Laos in 1992, 1994 and 1996, so who has been tasked to go see who they are? And who is providing Congressional over sight? One report # 19652 talks about Hrdlicka being alive in 1969 and this is a big problem, because the DIA/DPMO has told his wife, that he died in captivity in 1968, one year before the LIVE SIGHTING REPORT in 1969. So, something is wrong, and who in congress is looking into it? Case # 19610 talks about an American pilot who was at a news conference in 1969 in Laos,

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but none of the 9 released POWs who were captured in Laos by the Vietnam Communists, were ever at a press conference. So, who is checking into this report, in the House or Senate? Case number 19228 talks about Duke being in a film in 1970, but the DIA/DPMO has told the MA family that Duke was never captured---the family was told that he was ambushed and killed. Which intelligence review board is looking into major discrepancy? DIA/DPMO has told Congress in open public hearings that it has no knowledge of Americans who are freely living in Vietnam, yet report # 19017, 19164 and 19186 clearly are about Americans who are freely living in Vietnam. Who in Congress is following up with the DIA/DPMO to correct this discrepancy? Look at case # 19128 and 19065, both are reports of live Americans in Tay Ninh Province in 1995, so who was sent to find these Americans or investigate these reports. The source provider on case # 19065 was a Doctor who stated that he was currently treating 3 live Americans. I personally know this case, because it was provided to DIA/DPMO by members of one of the 21 teams, that I have sent to S.E. Asia in search of live POWs. The information was collected a Doctor who told, the team in April 1995, the location where he had visited and treated the 3 live Ameicans over the last 8 years. When the team tried to get to this location they were arrested by the Vietnamese Secret Police, in a military restricted zone; the location where the Doctor said he had treated the three live Americans. Each report given in DIAs database, gives an exact location, so who in Congress is following up on these LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS to see if DIA/DPMO has sent a team to these locations to investigate who is in these areas, who is the subject of these reports. Clearly, someone is there, being seen and reported. While this is just a sample of some of the 1316 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS DIA/DPMO has received after 1995, they clearly shows that there is ample evidence to warrant a continued investigation. Some, (but not most) of the reports are old and out dated as DIA/DPMO has stated (the report is accurate but when DIA/DPMO received the report, in the last 2 years, the data provided is to dated to verify; see case 19054 DOS (date of sighting) 67-68, 19096 DOS 75-76, 19130 DOS 1976, and 19341DOS 1965.

Several report providers provided photos and Congress should examine this physical evidence given in case #19112, 19180, 19192, 19198, 19406, 19431, 19457, 19458, 19462, 19493 and 19658. In some cases the report provider gave the names of Americans they say they saw or had information about; see case # 19100, 19140, 19207, 19406, 19539, 19717, and 19725. Several report providers gave a list of POWs, they had kept, so who are the POWs on these lists and have they been accounted for; see case #19060, 19073, 19085, 19350, 19447, 19488, and 42637. In one case # 19448 the source provided information on the execution of POWs - this case should be investigated to see if there is a "war crime" that has been committed against American POWs. In case # 42631 there is a report of "classified communications" which might mean that the NSA (National Security Agency) intercepted enemy radio communication or that MACSOG teams placed a wire tap on enemy telephone lines in which classified (and maybe coded) communication was intercepted. Congress needs to look into "source reports" where the provider of the data was a U.S. intelligence organization such as the CIA (all "D" sources are the CIA), see 42635 & 42239 and NSA (all "Q" sources are the NSA), see 15273 and U.S. Army Intelligence Reports (all "E" sources are Army Intelligence) see 42020.

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This information service is designed to help President Clinton's appointees and other officials understand that there are unresolved problems of Americans who were captured alive and taken prisoner (POWs), but who were not released.

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In 1981 the U.S. government put a covert operation on the ground in Laos to verify reports of 27 live American POWs in a prison camp, so Congress should look into reports where the source provided the data on 27 American POWs; see case 19515 and 19541. In several cases 18657, 18912, 18926, 18962, 42568, and 42569 the DIA/DPMO has "deleted" the source report from their database, why? Congress should find out why in these specific cases the DIA/DPMO "erase" these cases from their list?

Some Senate or House Committee should be reviewing the LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS and providing the MIA families with the assurance that they are being told, in a timely manor, about all the information that is being collected on their son, husband or father, which is the stated public policy of the Clinton White House and the stated public policy of the DIA/DPMO. All information held by U.S. intelligence collection units of the U.S. government was to have been declassified and released for public inspection in November 1993. Are these policies still being followed?

An intelligence gathering operation as large as the DIA/DPMO operation, that is tasked to collect intelligence on missing Americans and who has collected over 5,943 LIVE SIGHTING REPORTS, needs some supervision, guidance and oversight. Please duplicate this information at lease 10 times and pass this information on to your Congressman or Senator in addition to your friends and all POW/MIA organizations and to those who continue to be skeptical of the LIVE POWs PROBLEM.

Sincerely,

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