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STATEMENT TO U.S. CONGRESS ATTRIBUTED TO CAPTURED U.S. AIRMEN
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(CAPTURED U.S. PILOTS ISSUE STATEMENT--VNA HEADLINE)

(TEXT) HANOI, VNA JANUARY 2ND--THIRTY CAPTURED U.S. PILOTS
DETAINED IN THE DRV HAVE ISSUED A STATEMENT TO THE CONGRESS OF
THE U.S.A. CONCERNING THE RECENT WAS ESCALATION OF THE NIXON
ADMINISTRATION. TWENTY OF THE SIGNATORIES WERE NEWLY CAPTURED,
MOST OF THEM B-52 FLIERS.

STATEMENT OF THE MILITARYMEN OF THE U.S.A. DETAINED IN THE DRV

TO: THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE WAR IN VIETNAM HAS MANY ASPECTS, JUST AS WE PRISONERS
REPRESENT MANY BACKGROUNDS AND OPINIONS.

RECENTLY OUR GOVERNMENT CLAIMED "PEACE IS AT HAND". BUT
NOW THE WAR IS MORE FIERCE THAN EVERY BEFORE, AND AMERICAN LIVES
ARE IN GRAVE JEOPARDY FROM THE ROUND-THE-CLOCK ATTACKS. THIS
CONTRADICTION COMPELS US TO ADD OUR VOICES TO THE PUBLIC OPINION
IN OUR COUNTRY. WHETHER WE HAVE BEEN DETAINED FOR A FEW
DAYS OR SEVERAL YEARS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU HEAR US.

OUR GOVERNMENT HAS NOT CONSUMATED THE "AGREEMENT ON ENDING
THE WAR AND RESTORING PEACE IN VIETNAM", ALTHOUGH THIS
AGREEMENT WAS SATISFACTORY TO BOTH THE U.S.A. AND THE DRV AS
OF 20 OCTOBER 1972.

WE STRONGLY APPEAL TO THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO EXERCISE
ALL YOUR LEGAL AND MORAL POWER TO BRING ABOUT PEACE.

THIS STATEMENT IS MADE BY THOSE WHO KNOW THAT MORE DELAY
CAN ONLY INCREASE THE SUFFERING, LENGTHEN OUR CONFIRMATION AND
AGGRAVATE THE WELL-BEING OF THE COUNTRY WHICH WE SERVE.

MOST SINCERELY,

1. WALTER E. WILBER, COMMANDER, U.S.N. CAPTURED 16 JUNE 1968
2. RICHARD J. FULTON, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 13 JUNE 1972
3. EDWIN A. HAWLEY, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 17 FEBRUARY 1972
4. PETER A. CALLAGHAN, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 21 JUNE 1972
5. EDISON W. MILLER, LT. COLONEL, U.S.M.C., 13 OCTOBER 1967
6. JOSEPH E. KERNAN, LIEUTENANT J.G., U.S.N., 7 MARCH 1972
7. LYNN E. GUENTHER, CAPT. USAF, 26 DECEMBER 1971
8. DONALD K. LOGAN, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 5 JULY 1972
9. CHARLES A. JACKSON, CAPT., U.S.A.F., 24 JUNE 1972

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11. WILLIAM W. CONLEE, L.D. COLONEL, U.S.A.F., 22 DEC. 1972
12. JOHN H. YUILL, LT. COLONEL, U.S.A.F., 22 DEC. 1972
13. MICHAEL R. MARTINI, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 20 DEC. 1972
14. PAUL L. GRANGER, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 20 DEC. 1972
15. LYNN R. BEENS, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 21 DEC 1972
16. RICHARD E. JOHNSON, MAJOR, U.S.A.F., 18 DEC. 1972
17. WILLIAM T. MAYALL, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 22 DEC 1972
18. CARL H. JEFcoat, MAJOR, U.S.A.F., 27 DEC. 1972
19. BRIAN H. WARD 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 27 DEC. 1972
20. DUANE P. VAVROOH, 1ST LIEUTANANT, U.S.A.F., 26 DEC. 1972
21. JAMES V. CONDON, MAJOR, U.S.A.F., 27 DECEMBER 1972
22. DAVID IAN DRUMMOND, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., CAPTURED 22 DEC. 1972
23. JAMES W. GONGH, MASTER SERGEANT, U.S.A.F., 27 DEC. 1972
24. ROBERT M. HUDSON, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 26 DEC. 1972
25. JACK R. TRIMBLE, 1ST LIEUTENANT, U.S.A.F., 27 DEC. 1972
26. HAL K. WILSON CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 19 DEC. 1972
27. TERRY W. GELONECK, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 20 DEC. 1972
28. CHARLES A. BROWN, JR, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 19 DEC. 1972
29. HENRY C. BARROWS, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 19 DEC. 1972
30. RICHARD T. SIMPSON, CAPTAIN, U.S.A.F., 18 DECEMBER 1972.

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