145 Clemency Appeals

WASHINGTON, May 27 (UPI) — President Ford has signed 145 of the nearly 900 Vietnam clemency cases handled so far by his Clemency Review Board, a White House spokesman said that Mr. Ford signed 80 of the clemency appeals yesterday. The others were signed earlier.

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The clemency program allows Vietnam-era deserters to avoid prosecution or other penalty in return for a period of public service.

The spokesman said that most of the 900 cases acted on by the clemency board were still at the board's office awaiting "any additional information which the individual concerned would like to have added to the file for any reason."