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7 Missing Missionaries Reported to Be in Saigon

WASHINGTON, April 29 (UPI) — Seven missionaries missing in Vietnam for six weeks are reported to have been released and to be in Saigon, it was learned today.

A spokesman for the Christian and Missionary Alliance, the largest Protestant missionary group in Vietnam, said that a telephone call had been received during the night at the alliance's headquarters in Nyack, N. Y., from an official of the United States Agency for International Development in Saigon.

The spokesman said that the official provided few details and that the alliance had not yet been able to confirm the information.

The seven are: Betty Mitchell of Ellensburg, Wash., whose husband, Archie, has been missing in Vietnam since 1962; Dr. and Mrs. Richard Phillips, both linguists and second-generation missionaries; the Rev. and Mrs. Norman Johnson of Hamilton, Ont., and Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and their 5-year-old daughter.