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CORONADO, Calif. AP - A Navy court of inquiry has arrived at 550 findings of fact as part of its probe into North Korean seizure of the intelligence ship Pueblo and detention of the crew.

A Navy spokesman said today the 550 findings cover 123 legal-sized pages, completing one phase of the court's assigned task. The five-admiral court still has to make recommendations and state its opinions.

The spokesman said the findings of fact could not be revealed. They will be forwarded to Adm. John J. Hyland, Pacific Fleet commander, who convened the court last Jan. 20.

The court heard eight weeks of testimony at the Coronado Naval Amphibious Base, filling some 3,400 pages.

It is expected that the court's findings, recommendations and opinions will be reviewed by Hyland, then forwarded to Washington for study by Adm. Thomas Moorer, chief of naval operations; Navy Secretary John Chafee and the joint chiefs of staff.

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Pueblo Assignments

SAN DIEGO, Calif. AP - The Navy announced Tuesday that 75 crewmen of the captured USS Pueblo have been transferred to other duties or are awaiting release from active duty to service in the Naval reserve.

None has been discharged, but 16 are awaiting release to inactive duty in various reserve programs for periods of from two to four years.

All six of the intelligence ship's officers remain attached to the Pueblo, along with one enlisted man, Engineman 3.C. Steven E. Woelk of Alta Vista, Kan. He will resume administrative and medical processing duties.

Eighty-two crewmen survived when the Pueblo was captured by North Korea in January 1968.

All crewmen transferred are currently on 30 to 60 day leave.

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