

## Vietcong Reports Newsmen Were Held in Rear Areas

PNOMPENH, Cambodia, May 29 (AP)—A captured Vietcong officer said today that his superior told him a month ago that captured American, Japanese and French correspondents had been moved to rear areas and were alive.

Lieut. Pham Van Sang made the statement at a news conference arranged by the Cambodian high command. He was captured recently at Kompong Cham, 50 miles northeast of Pnompenh.

Fourteen or 15 correspondents are believed held by North Vietnamese and Vietcong forces. They include Sean Flynn, a freelance correspondent, Dana Stone, a photographer, working for the Columbia Broadcasting System, Richard Dudman of

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Elizabeth Pong of The Christian Science Monitor and Michael Morrow of Dispatch News Service—and three Frenchmen—Gilles Carson, Guy Hannoteaux and Visot Michel.

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