

# Premier Says List of Hanoi's Captives Is 'Complete'

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HANOI, North Vietnam, Dec. 25—Premier Pham Van Dong said today that the recently released list of names of 339 American servicemen represented a "full and complete" account of all those now held captive in North Vietnam.

"I swear to you that these men are well treated," the Premier said in a conversation with a Western journalist before the newsman recorded interviews with two American prisoners and filmed an inspection tour of part of a Hanoi prisoner-of-war camp.

During an informal discussion at the Presidential Palace following a filmed interview, Mr. Dong said that the list of 368 names was made public last week in Paris as a "humanitarian gesture to the families of these men."

Asked if further names would be released, he said that this had been the full list, including 20 who were said to have died in captivity and 9 who were freed—6 in 1968 and 3 in 1969.

The reporter pressed the point, asking Mr. Dong if he meant that North Vietnam had no other American prisoners. "That was the full and complete list," the Premier repeated.

Since North Vietnam does not officially admit that it has forces in the South, it does not acknowledge—and may not even know—the number of American prisoners who might be held there.

The Department of Defense in Washington has listed at least 412 other Americans as missing in action in Vietnam, including at least 10 pilots re-

portedly lost over North Vietnam.

During the discussion, Premier Dong became angry when he was asked about suspicions in the United States that the number of servicemen held in the North could be higher than the number given by Hanoi.

"The Nixon people are scoundrels, really scoundrels, to talk of this," he said. "It is they who show no humanitarian concern by talking like this." He continued:

"We Vietnamese know all too well what it's like being prisoners—under the French. Yet when they were our prisoners we treated them well. Ask them. Ask the Americans in our camps. I swear to you these men are well treated."

**Senators' Aides Given List**  
Hanoi's list of prisoners was

turned over last Tuesday in Paris to representatives of Senator J. W. Fulbright, Democrat of Arkansas, and Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts. The move was denounced the next day by Secretary of State William P. Rogers, who termed it a "contemptible maneuver" to divert attention from what he said was North Vietnam's failure to comply with international law in its treatment of the men.

The Secretary additionally noted that all of the names on the list were made known earlier this year by an American peace group, the Committee of Liaison With Families of Servicemen Detained in North Vietnam.

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