

Prisoners OK, Says Hanoi, Quoting 6

TOKYO — (UPI) — North Vietnam said today American prisoners of war "are being well treated," and quoted a number of POWs to prove it.

The official Vietnam news agency, monitored here, said "though they are not guests, American flyers captured in the very act of sowing death and destruction on North Vietnam have nothing to complain about the treatment they are receiving."

The prisoners and what they said:

• Lt. Cmdr. David Wesley Hoffman, captured Dec. 18, 1971: "I wish to express my deep gratitude to the personnel who captured me and who transported me to my present location (not disclosed) for the most kind

treatment afforded."

• Air Force Maj. Leland Hildebrand: "I am being treated fairly."

• Navy Lt. (J.G.) Norris Alphonse Charles: "The people here are treating me very nicely."

• Air Force Capt. Lynn L. Guenther: "All these men want to go back to the states."

• Kenneth Roth Wells (rank and service undisclosed): "I prayed several times daily so that I might be together with my wife soon."

• Air Force Capt. James Dickinson Cutters: "My desire to go home is no less burning. I think about going home. I want to go home badly. Hope the war ends soon. I do not want to die."