

Ex-P.O.W. Ends Stay at Coast Hospital

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SAN DIEGO, Oct. 2—Lieut. (j.g.) Norris A. Charles of the Navy ended a three-day stay at Balboa Naval Hospital today with "sincere thanks" to the Committee of Liaison With Families of Servicemen Detained in Vietnam, which escorted him and two other freed American fliers home last week from North Vietnam.

Hospital officials said Lieutenant Charles would continue to be seen daily by doctors as an out-patient and would undergo further debriefings by Navy intelligence.

The lieutenant said that he intended to work for the release of other American prisoners in Southeast Asia "by ending the war at the earliest possible time."

He declined to discuss what he considered the best means of ending the war. Earlier this year, he was one of eight captured airmen who sent a letter to President Nixon urging an end to the bombing of North Vietnam.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 2 (AP)—Gov. George C. Wallace visited Maj. Edward K. Elias of the Air Force at the hospital at Maxwell Air Force Base today and expressed hope for the safe and speedy release of all Americans from North Vietnamese prison camps.

The major, who returned to the United States Thursday with Lieutenant Charles and Lieutenant Mark L. Gartley of the Navy, is undergoing medical testing as an out-patient. Mrs. Wallace accompanied the Governor on the visit and chatted with Major Elias's wife.