

# China POW Camp Report

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American prisoners from the Vietnam war have been held in secret maximum security camps in China, a Soviet journalist reported yesterday from Moscow.

Victor Louis said in the London Evening News that the Americans were held in the southern Chinese province of Yunan near the Vietnamese border but far enough away to be safe from commando or bomber raids. He said elaborate precautions were taken to convince the Americans they were

still in North Vietnam.

Louis, a Soviet citizen with sources at the highest level in Moscow, was the first to report the removal of Nikita S. Khrushchev from power in 1964 and the Soviet intention to invade Czechoslovakia in 1968. He often has been used by the Kremlin on unofficial diplomatic missions.

Louis' dispatch in the Evening News did not make clear how many American prisoners were supposed to be held in China, nor how long they had been detained there.

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