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Pueblo's Chief

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Navy Commander Lloyd M. Bucher, who commanded the Pueblo when it was captured five years ago by the North Koreans, is the chief staff officer of the nine flotilla assigned to clear mines from North Vietnamese waters, Pentagon officials said yesterday.

Bucher, whose intelligence ship was held for 11 months by the North Koreans, is a member of Mineflot One, a Guam-based group of minesweepers that the Navy's anti-mine force in the Pacific.

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