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U.S. to Search for Missing

CLARK AIR BASE (Philippines) — (UPI) — The United States is making final preparations to send out search teams throughout Indochina to gather information and recover bodies of soldiers listed as missing in action, an Air Force source said today.

An initial task force of 150 men will be sent into North Vietnam, Laos and Commu-

nist-controlled sections of South Vietnam to determine the fate of the men.

Teams will be sent to the site of each air crash where crewman were reported missing, the source said. If a body can be found, it will be brought to Saigon for identification.

The search teams will also gather any wreckage which

might provide a clue to the fate of the men.

"This could take as long as two years," the source said.

U.S. military authorities expect full cooperation from North Vietnam.

About 1300 men are reported missing in action. The total includes pilots, foot soldiers and civilians, the source said.