

U.S. Tally of POWs Still Imprisoned

Washington

The Defense Department said yesterday that after the forthcoming release of American prisoners of war, there will remain 274 military POWs acknowledged by the Communists to be still imprisoned.

Those remaining, the Defense Department said, are 53 in the hands of the Viet Cong, 214 in North Vietnam and seven in Laos.

Here is a breakdown of POWs given by the Pentagon:

ORIGINAL	TOTAL
POWs: 99 in South Vietnam,	
456 in North Vietnam, 7 in	

Laos — total 562.

FIRST POW RELEASE: 19 from South Vietnam, 116 from North Vietnam — total 135.

SECOND RELEASE: 20 from North Vietnam.

THIRD RELEASE (scheduled Sunday): 27 from South Vietnam, 106 from North Vietnam — total 133.

TOTALS IN FIRST THREE RELEASES: 46 from South Vietnam, 242 from North Vietnam — total 288.

REMAINING: 53 in South Vietnam, 214 in North Vietnam, 7 in Laos — total 274.

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