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Journalists Freed

Saigon

Two American journalists reported they were released yesterday after two days as prisoners of the Viet Cong in a hamlet near the northern provincial capital of Quang Ngai.

Daniel Southerland, long-time correspondent in Vietnam for the Christian Science Monitor, and Frances

FitzGerald, author of the best-selling book on Vietnam, "Fire in the Lake," said they were treated well by their Communist captors.

Miss FitzGerald is on assignment for The New Yorker magazine.

"We're tired, but we're both fine," said Southerland in a telephone interview from Da Nang.

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