

Hanoi to Invite Kin Of Slain Americans To Visit the Graves

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SAIGON, South Vietnam, May 7 (UPI)—North Vietnam plans to invite relatives of some of the Americans who died in prison camps or plane crashes there to visit the servicemen's graves, a spokesman from Hanoi said today.

The spokesman, Maj. Phu Binh, is a North Vietnamese representative on the Four-Party Joint Military Team, which has been assigned to verify identification of servicemen's graves and to determine the fate of 1,328 Americans still listed as missing in Indochina.

He said the team would go to Hanoi "in the next few days" to begin its work. Other sources said that the team would leave Saigon on Friday for Hanoi.

2d Trip for Team

It will be the second such trip by the team, which includes officers from North Vietnam, South Vietnam, the Vietcong and United States. The first trip was made three weeks ago.

Mayor Binh said relatives would not be along on this trip but would be invited to come later. He said that he did not know how long the team would stay in the North. "There are a large number of burial sites spread over a large area," he said. "It depends on the places they go."

Informed sources said that the United States Government had no official policy on visits to North Vietnam by relatives of Americans who died there.