

Sending GI Bodies Back Discussed

SAIGON — (UPI) — Graves of American servicemen "are scattered all over North Vietnam" but the bodies eventually will be returned if there is a display of "good will," a Hanoi delegate to the four-party team engaged in recovery efforts said yesterday.

Maj. Nguyen Phu Binh, a North Vietnamese delegate to the joint military team, told a news conference at Saigon's Tan Son Nhut Airfield that the cooperation of local North Vietnamese is necessary for locating graves because "the graves of U.S. military personnel are scattered here and there all over North Vietnam."

He said, "People in North Vietnam are very angry and indignant at violations (of the Jan. 28 cease-fire) by the Saigon Administration, which are tolerated by the U.S. government."

"But with good will," he said, "we shall continue to settle this problem satisfactorily."

According to U.S. officials, more than 50 Americans died in captivity in North Vietnam. In addition there were 1317 Americans missing in action in Indochina, mostly fliers believed to have been shot down and killed.

Hanoi has thus far listed 24 Americans who died as prisoners.