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The Honorable Bob Smith  
Vice Chairman  
Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Vice Chairman:

This is in reply to Part IV of your January 17, 1992 letter requesting information on decisions of the Vietnamese Community Party and Government in relation to POWs. We are prepared to provide a briefing on this subject to appropriately cleared and designated Committee personnel.

We are providing the four enclosed documents which we hope will be useful for the Committee. The first (TAB A) is a February 1992 Directorate of Intelligence (DDI) assessment entitled "Vietnam: Adjusting Its Strategy on the POW/MIA Issue." The second (TAB B) is a September 1987 DDI Special National Intelligence Estimate entitled "Hanoi and the POW/MIA Issue." The third (TAB C) is a June 1984 DDI memorandum entitled "Vietnam: Using the MIA Issue as a Bargaining Chip." The fourth document (TAB D) is a 1989 DDI assessment entitled "Perestroyka, Lao Style: Implications for Vietnam and the United States" which makes some reference to Laos and the POW/MIA issue.

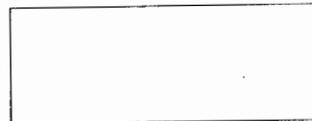
This letter is also being provided to Chairman Kerry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stanley M. Moskowitz".

Stanley M. Moskowitz  
Director of Congressional Affairs

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