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# CROSS CURRENT

JOIN IN THE FLEET FOR  
PRISONERS OF WAR

Over 1,400 Americans are listed as Prisoners of War or Missing in Action in Vietnam. Prisoners are suffering and dying in these camps; pictures and films show inhumane treatment and even physical torture. The only pressure to which North Vietnam has responded has been that of public opinion - letters and pressure put on its government by United States and worldwide peoples.

A nationwide campaign, started by the Naval Academy, urges all to write letters to the president of North Vietnam, showing him the concern of the American people with the plight of fellow Americans in prison camps. Your personal letter is of vital importance; it is the individual's concern which will result in better treatment and possible freedom for these men. Your letter should be addressed to:

P.O.W. Campaign  
U.S. Naval Academy  
Annapolis, Maryland 21402

A typical letter would read as follows:

President Ton Duc Thang  
Republic of North Vietnam  
Hanoi, North Vietnam

Honorable Ton Duc Thang,

I am writing to express my concern over your government's failure to honor its commitment as a signatory of the 1949 Geneva Convention. Specific points include; the neutral inspection of camps, prompt identification of all prisoners, adequate diet and medical care, allowance for a free flow of mail between prisoners and their families, and release of the sick and wounded.

Sincerely,  
John Doe  
Worcester, Mass.

In this Yuletide season especially, let us remember our Christian commitment toward all men, and join in prayer for world peace.

Wishing You a Merry Christmas,  
Holy Cross MROPC

