

# ***Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command***



***“Until They Are Home”***



## ***JPAC Mission***

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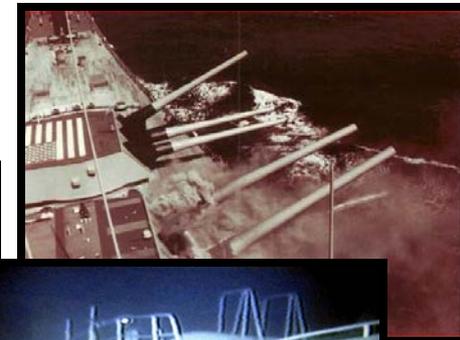
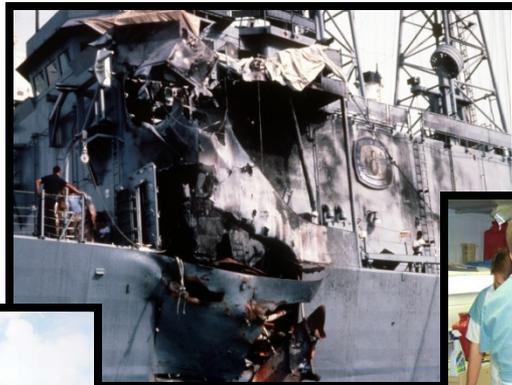
**The Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command conducts global search, recovery and laboratory operations to identify unaccounted-for Americans from past conflicts in order to support the Department of Defense's personnel accounting efforts.**

**As directed, JPAC supports worldwide humanitarian operations for disaster relief and supports forensic assistance to local, state, and federal law enforcement.**



# *On Order Missions: Beyond the POW/MIA Mission*

- **Jonestown Massacre, Guyana – 1978**
- **Marine Barracks Bombing, Beirut – 1983**
- **USS Stark Missile Attack, Persian Gulf - 1987**
- **USS Iowa Explosion, Caribbean – 1989**
- **Numerous International & Domestic Aircraft Crashes**
- **Ehime Maru/USN Greenville Collision – 2001**
- **Sept. 11 Terrorist Attacks, Pentagon & NYC – 2001**
- **Iraq Mass Grave Exhumation - 2004**
- **Tsunami Relief, Indian Ocean/Thailand – 2005**
- **Local Support to Law Enforcement**





# Key Tasks

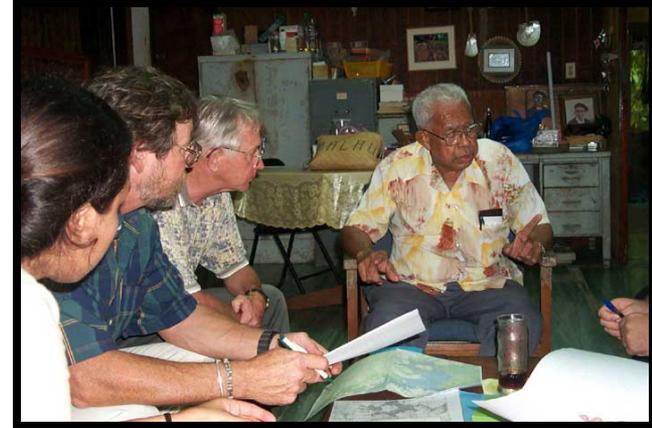
**Research & Analysis**



**Negotiations**



**Field Investigation**



*Conducting Americas Search...*

**Identification**



**Recovery**





# Central Identification Laboratory

- **Largest and most diverse skeletal identification laboratory in the world**
- **Performs both DoD-related and non-DoD humanitarian missions**
- **Provides assistance to local, state and federal law enforcement**
- **Established the Forensic Science Academy in 2008, an advanced forensic anthropology program consisting of five courses taught under the auspices of the Department of Defense**
- **Conducts training classes on forensic recovery and identification techniques**





# Investigation Team

- Team Leader: USA, USAF, USMC, USN O-3/O-4
- Recovery Leader: CIL Anthropologist / Archaeologist
- Team Sergeant
- Intelligence Analysts
- Photographer\*
- Linguist\*
- Medic\*
- EOD Tech\*



***\* Note: Augmentee Support - JPAC is assigned personnel in all of these areas, although not enough to cover all missions.***



# Recovery Team

- Team Leader: USA, USAF, USMC, USN O-3/O-4
- Recovery Leader: CIL Anthropologist/Archaeologist
- Team Sergeant
- Mortuary Affairs Tech
- Linguist\*
- Medic\*
- EOD Tech\*
- Life Support Tech\*
- Photographer\*
- Communications Specialist\*



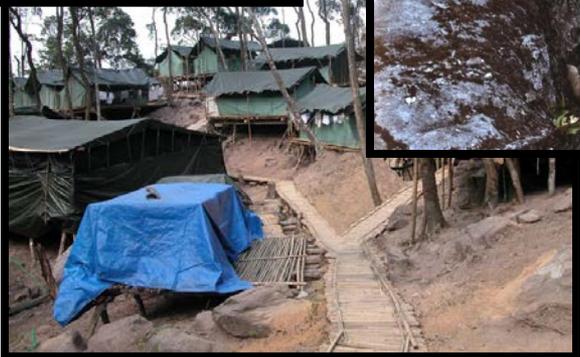
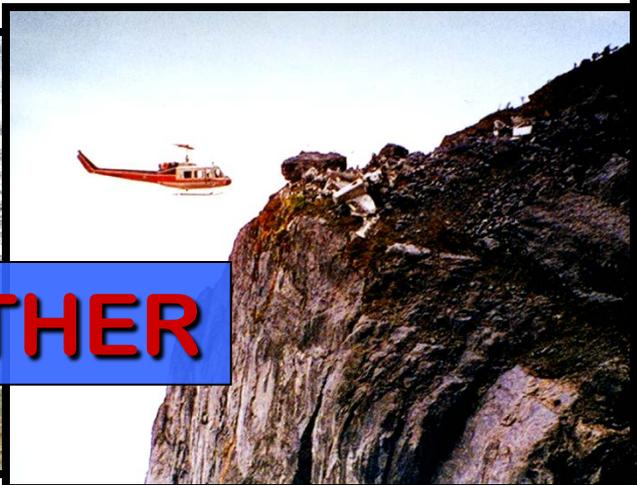
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# Team Challenges

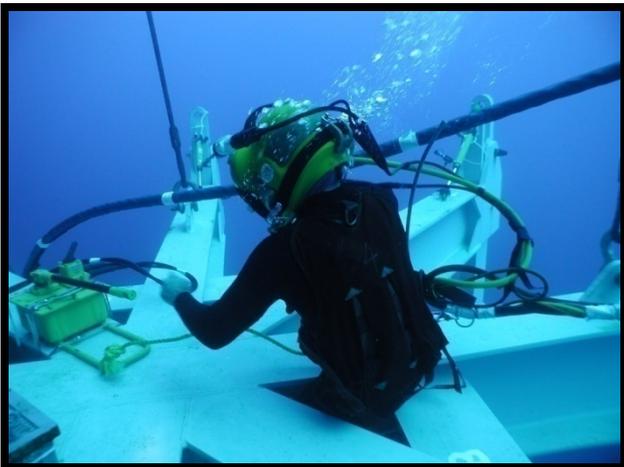
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**TERRAIN**



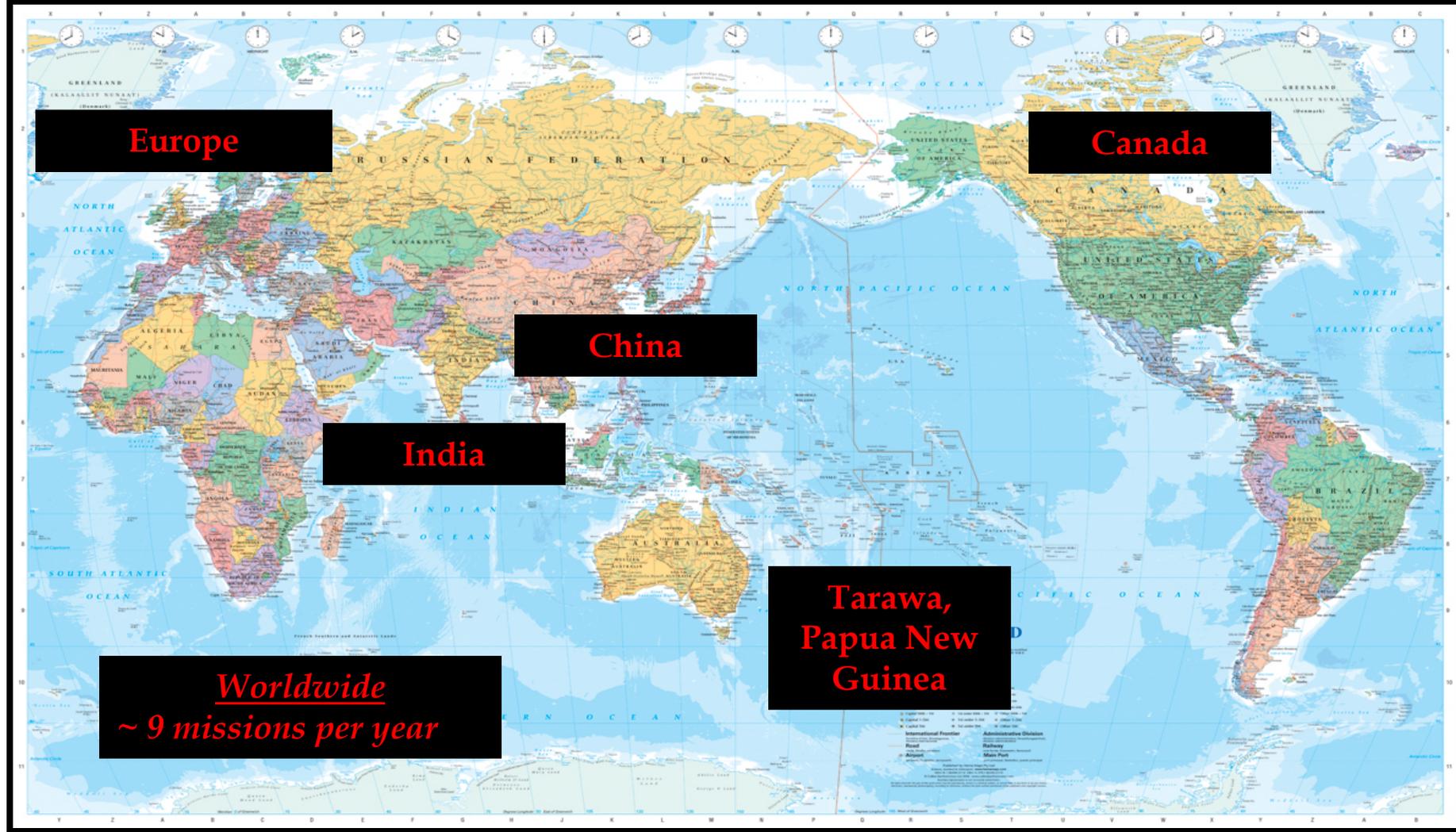


# JPAC's Underwater Activities





# World War II Global Operations



**Europe**

**Canada**

**China**

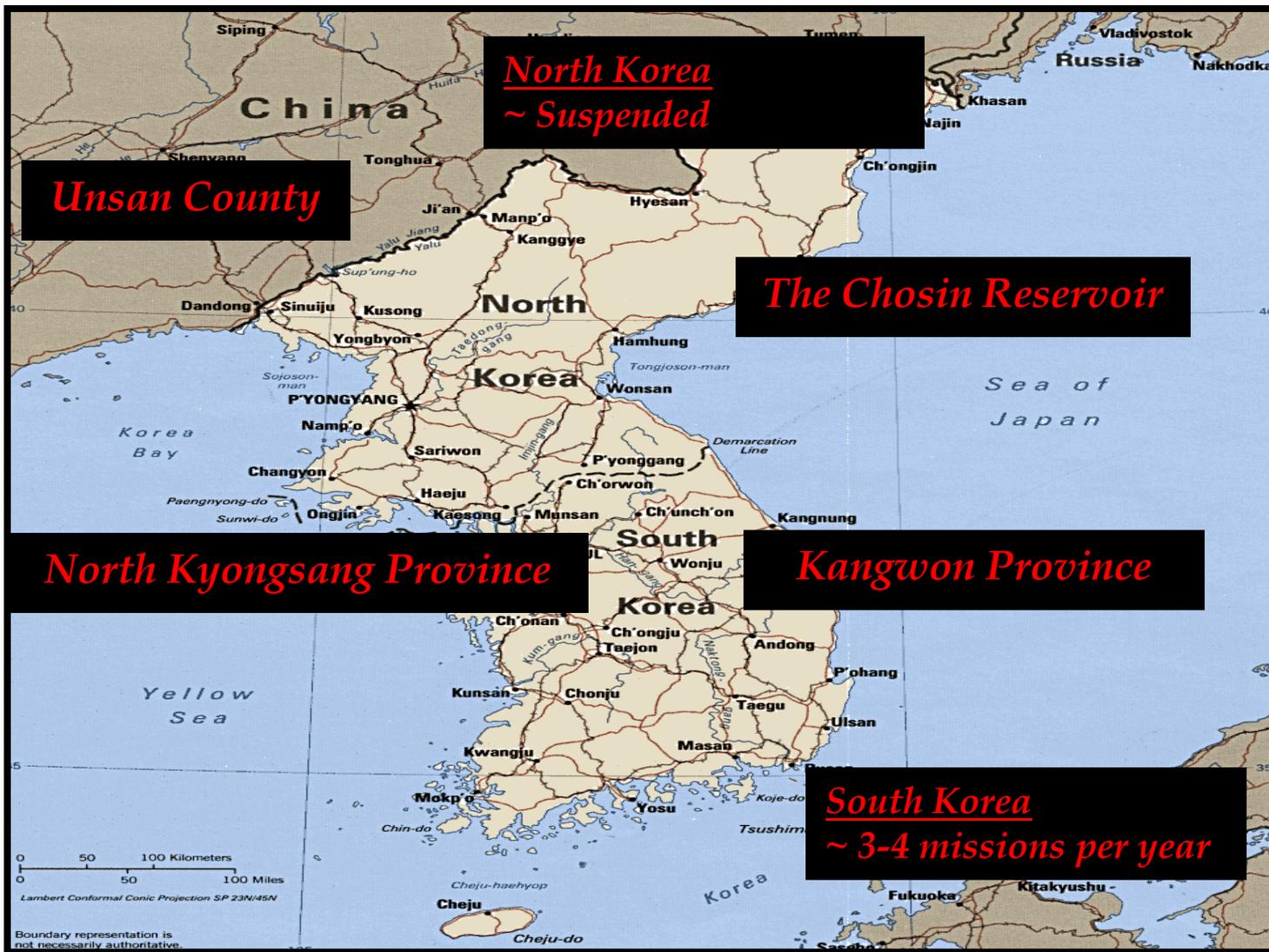
**India**

**Tarawa,  
Papua New  
Guinea**

**Worldwide  
~ 9 missions per year**

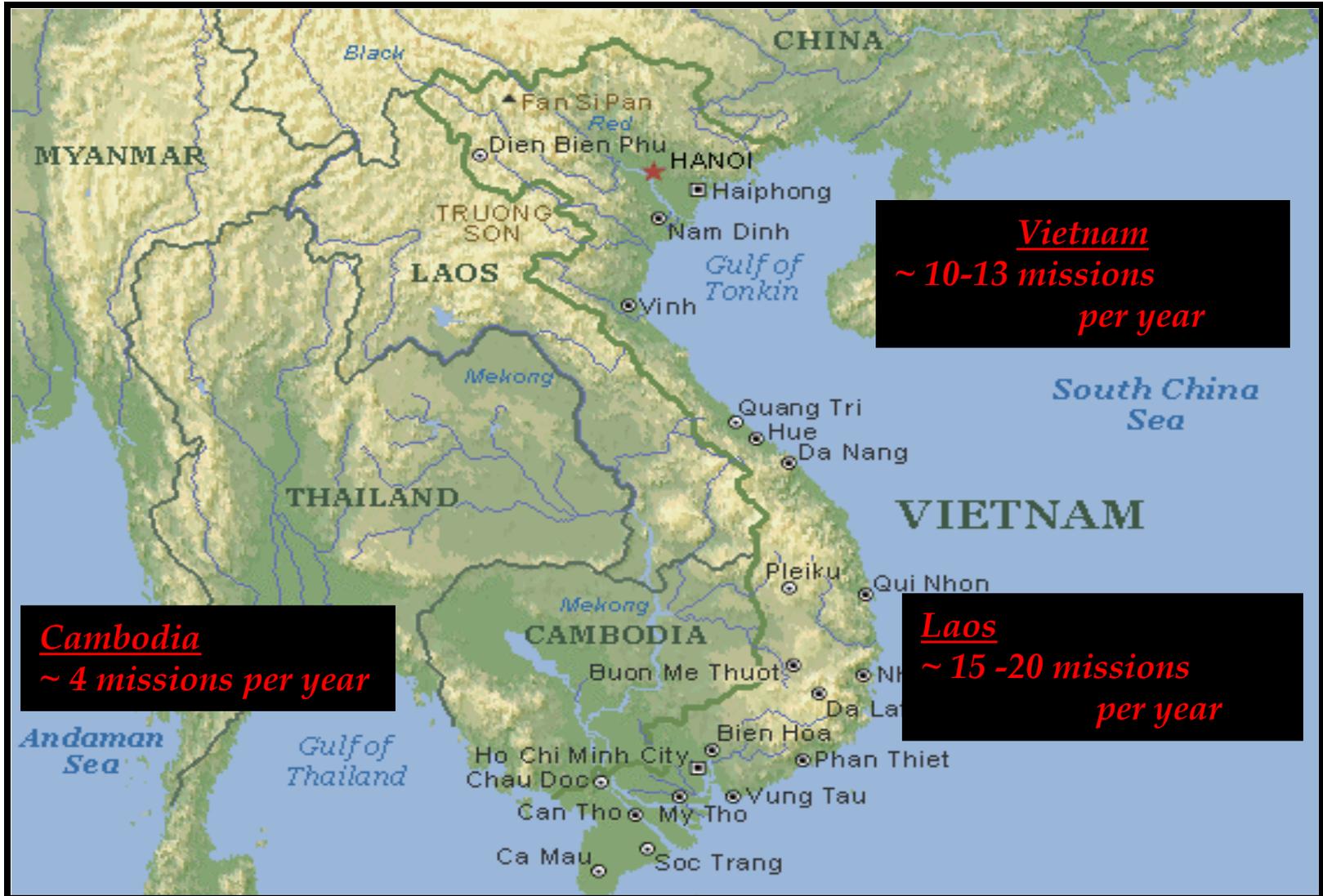


# Korean War Global Operations





# Vietnam War Global Operations





# Cold War Global Operations





# Fiscal Year 2012 Missions

During Fiscal Year 2012 (Oct. 1, 2011 through Sep. 30, 2012), JPAC is scheduled to deploy more than 85 investigation and recovery teams on 30 missions to 11 countries. Of those, 60 teams are deploying to support Vietnam War operations, 9 are supporting Korean War operations, and 17 are supporting World War II operations.

## 3rd Quarter (April - Jun. 2012)

Lao People's Democratic Republic (Vietnam War)

Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam War)

Republic of Korea (Korean War)

People's Republic of China (Korean War)

Federal Republic of Germany (World War II)

Independent State of Papua New Guinea (World War II)

## 4th Quarter (July - Sep. 2012)

Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam War)

People's Republic of China (Korean War)

French Republic (World War II)

Independent State of Papua New Guinea (World War II)

Canada (World War II)

Republic of Vanuatu (World War II)





# ***National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl)***



**More than 2,900 World War II and Korean War Unknowns are buried at the Punchbowl**





# Repatriation and Arrival Ceremonies





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