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POW/MIA RECOVERY & INVESTIGATION TEAMS SEARCH FOR MISSING AMERICANS *JPAC teams search for missing in action (MIA) service members from the Vietnam War*

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii (Aug. 12, 2010) – Two archeological recovery teams and three investigation teams from the [U.S. Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command \(JPAC\)](http://www.jpac.pacom.mil) deployed to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to search for MIA's missing from the Vietnam War.

About 50 JPAC team members will investigate and excavate several sites associated with Vietnam War losses. Two recovery teams will search in the Quang Binh and Quang Nam provinces at sites where three missing aircraft crewmembers may have perished.

Three investigative teams will authenticate leads from eye witnesses and conduct field research throughout multiple provinces, searching for 59 missing Americans. The approximately 35-day long undertaking marks the 100th Joint Field Activity in Vietnam.

Falling directly under the U.S. Department of Defense, the jointly-manned organization of more than 400 military and civilian specialists has investigated and recovered missing Americans since the 1970's. To date there are about 1,700 Americans still listed as Missing in Action from the [Vietnam War](#).

The ultimate goal of the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command, and of the agencies involved in returning America's heroes home, is to achieve the fullest possible accounting of Americans lost during the nation's past conflicts.

"Until They Are Home"

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