AFZH-AGB Barnes, Scott T. 4th Ind
DATA (5 Dec 74)
SUBJECT: Expeditious Discharge

DA, HQ, 9th Inf Div & Ft Lewis, Ft Lewis, WA 98433

TO: Commander, 89th Military Police Group, Fort Lewis, Washington 98433

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 5-37, AR 635-200 (SPD KMN), it is directed that Private (E-3) Scott T. Barnes DATA , be discharged for failure to meet acceptable standards for continued military service.

2. A DD Form 256A (Honorable Discharge Certificate) will be furnished.

3. A final DA Form 268 (Report of Suspension of Favorable Personnel Actions), if applicable, will be completed and distributed in accordance with AR 600-31, Suspension of Favorable Personnel Actions for Military Personnel in National Security Cases and Other Investigations or Proceedings.

4. The original of this correspondence will be filed as permanent material in the individual's Military Personnel Records Jacket.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

LAWRENCE N. BROCKWAY, JR.
Lieutenant Colonel, AGC
Adjutant General

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Scott Tracy Barnes: Chronology of activity regarding POW/MIA issue.

[A] Alleged activity, no supporting documentation

[D] Documented activity

29-31 Mar 1973 [A] Mr. Barnes has stated that he was involved in Operations Delta and Moneitz in South Vietnam.* These operations were special missions, for the U.S. Ambassador, which were targeted against U.S. military personnel who were going to defect to the communist. No record of these operations, or any operations with the identified mission of Barnes' Delta and Moneitz can be identified by U.S. military archivists (Mr. V. Demma, U.S. Military History, Washington, D.C.)**

*Mr. Barnes applied for an American Passport on Apr 4, 1972, this passport was later lost.

**Mr. Branes wrote in an Army Security Clearance form that he visited South Vietnam during this period.

21 Aug-19 Dec 1974 [D] U.S. Army Military Policeman (Workhouse Supervisor) discharged because he failed to maintained standards required for military service. He had no affiliation with any U.S. Intelligence component.(#9)

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15 Jun 1981 #2, [D] Visit to the SVN Embassy in Bangkok. He was reported to have furnished information regarding a final report by the House Select Committee on POW/MIAs and Operation "Velvet Hammer" (the POW rescue mission of LTC "Bo" Gritz) to an unidentified SVN Captain. (#2)

17 Jun 1981 [D] Visit to AN, U.S. Embassy DAO JCRC, to whom he stated that he was "on a mission for Bo". Barnes provided a: decision flow chart for "Operation Velvet Hammer"; personal resume of LTC Gritz; a copy of a letter from LTC Gritz to President Reagan which outlined Gritz's operation. Barnes stated that he was going to Laos to investigate the POW/MIA situation.

18 Jun 1981 [A] Barnes claims that he entered Kampuchea by swimming the Mekong River. While in Kampuchea, he observed a caucasian in a prison cage. Photos of this person were taken by a monk that was travelling with Barnes. No photos were given to Embassy personnel. (Subsequent inquiry revealed that Barnes was observed in the Embassy cafeteria during the morning of 18 June 1981, #8).

19 Jun 1981 [D] Barnes visited AN again. He claimed that he had been to Kampuchea and observed the above mentioned caucasian being held prisoner.

3 Jul 1981 [D] Barnes contacted Ann Griffith, National League of Families. He claimed he obtained information on a detention facility in Laos during a recent trip to Amembassy Bangkok. He further claimed to have seen SR-71 photography (dated 17 Jun 81) which showed 18

12 Sep 1981 [D] caucasian prisoners detained near Sam Neua, Laos. Barnes contacted P. Hunt. Barnes claimed that he was in contact with a Lao resistance group operating in the Nhommarath, Laos area on 2-3 Jul 1981 at which time they sighted 18 caucasian prisoners, one of which was Major Lundy, USAF, MIA. Barnes also stated that he had met with Al Shinkle and Patrick Konvangsa in Santa Anna, CA. He had also met with General Vang Poa. (#3, #8)

Oct-Nov 1981 [A] Mr. Barnes was on a mission into Laos. The mission's name was Operation "Bohica/Grand Eagle". The team moved from Ban Pheng, Thailand, straight across to an area west of Mahaxai, Laos, were two caucasian POWs were sited. Barnes and his team returned to Thailand and made contact with the CIA via the use of the U.S. Embassy Bangkok. They were ordered to return to Laos and eliminate the two POWs, whereupon they decided to break up and not complete the mission. Barnes states that the two caucasians were captured during an operation called "Velvet Glove" where the two had been agents deployed to salt chemical agent samples in the Laos area. These samples were to be found by Lao resistance fighters and used to discredit the Soviet Union. Barnes also says that the operation "Bohica/Grand Eagle" was put together and directed by retired LTC Bo Gritz via his contacts in various government agencies. These agencies are identified as the CIA (#16) and "The Activity" (#18).

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31 Dec 1981 [D]	Report from CIA source on Barnes visit to the SVN Embassy in Bangkok, Thailand.
Jan-Feb 1982 [D]	FBI advised that while in the U.S. military, Barnes initiated contact with the Soviets.
Mar 1982 [D]	MFR containing information on Scott Barnes military record. Items of note in the MFR are as follows: in completing forms for U.S. Army security clearance, indicated that he had travelled to South Vietnam as a tourist between 29-31 Mar 1973; records were supoenaed by the U.S. District Court, San Francisco in regard to U.S. vs James E. Brandes, et al, CR-79-0226-WHO (this may be in connection to alleged drug enforcement activities against the Hells Angels, if so, his testimony was not admitted as evidence. His offer to appear for the defense was not accepted by defense attorney Jack Palladino); a letter of favorable communication from the Seattle PD; and that Barnes was discharged under a provision that allows discharge if a service member fails to meet standards for continued service (files (201) have been requested from Federal Records Center).
7 Apr 1982 [D]	On this date the Covert Action Information Bulletin (CAIB released Mr. Barnes' story about his activities in Thaila and Laos. In the Press Release a number of areas were covered: Scott Barnes' Operation Bohica/Grand Eagle" act ivities; Barnes' connections with Bo Gritz, Congressman Dorna, General Vang Poa, and their individual parts in the operation; specifics of Operation "Velevet Glove"; contacts with Ted Koppel and Jack Anderson's office in

	an attempt to have his story published in the US media; and the responses fo numerous government officals and the cover-up activities and interference of Barnes actitivies to make a full disclosureof the facts.
16 Apr 1982 [D]	News articles carried in the Havana Prela and Salvadoran Salpress which sited Barnes' Thailand activities and the attempts to have the information regarding the salting of chemical warfare samples in SEA and Central America publish in the US media and on TV.
26 Apr 1982 [D]	Two articles by Alan Dawson in the Bangkok Post relating to Dawson's meeting with Barnes. The evaluation of Barnes is not favorable.
Spring Issue of Soldier of Fortune Magazine	A special section of this issue dedicated to the POW/MIA situation carried the Bangkok Post article by Alan Dawson and an article by D. DuVall and J. Graves on Scott Barnes' misadventures in Thailand. The articles are all unfavorable to Mr. Barnes.
12 Jul 1985	A Western Union Mailgram was sent to the National League of Families of POW/MIAs by Mr. Barnes. In the mailgram Mr. Barnes decrys the negative information which is being spread about him.
20 Aug 1985	Mr. David Hendrix of the Riverside Press-Enterprize, Riverside, CA, was contacted by Mr. Barnes. To follow-up on the story, Mr. Hendrix has contacted the LNO JCRC to establish the credibility of his source.
18 Sep 1985 [D]	The DIA Team Chief log for 18 Sep 85, notes that an individ Scott Beckel, stated that he has just returned to the US from Thailand and has information about POWs and that he ha a letter from two Thai officers. (DIA analysts feel that

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this person is really Scott Barnes using another name)

16 Nov 1985 [D] Phone call to AN from Mr. Barnes wherein he stated that he was contacted by a man named Eugene Tighe and that he could only give his information to Generals Perroots or Shufelt.

19 Nov 1985 [D] Mr. Barnes wrote a letter to the Secretary of Defense, Mr. Wienberger. He references the POW-MIA Fact Book and asks why the Secretary's actions have not followed what he stated in the fact book regarding the POW/MIA situation.

20 Nov 1985 [D] Mr. Dave Taylor, BBC TV Washington Office, made contact with VO-PW2 regarding Scott Barnes story.

15 Feb 1986 [D] A letter to Ann Griffith of the National League of Families of POW/MIAs from Mr. Barnes. He asks why she is spreading lies about his information as it is factual and has been given under oath.

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SUBJECT: BARNES AMATYL TAPE

SEVERAL MONTHS AGO DAVID TAYLOR, CORRESPONDENT, BBC STAGED AND FILMED AN EVENT IN WHICH SCOTT BARNES WAS ADMINISTERED SODIUM AMATYL.

PORTIONS OF THE TAYLOR VIDEO WERE SHOWN IN ENGLAND BY BBC; CBN ALSO BROADCAST A SMALL PORTION OF THE LONGER TAYLOR TAPE.

THE COPY WE HAVE IS THE FULL LENGTH EVENT (OBTAINED FROM LCDR FRANK BROWN -- FROM TAYLOR).

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