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1. In March 1966, two U.S. Soldiers were captured by NVA Company 1, Division 325, in the YAMO area (location unknown) of DARIAC Province, near CAMBODIA during a VC ambush. The previous night Company 1 was informed that the following morning U.S. helicopters would land troops in the area. At 0900 hours the following morning, U.S. helicopters came into sight and saw a few VC in the area but did not observe the VC regiment which had dug trenches for an ambush. During the battle, 12 helicopters were shot down, and two prisoners were taken by Company 1.
2. The two U.S. POW's wore green fatigues, black boots with green nylon ~~sewn~~ into the ankle portion of the boots. One of the POW's was of medium build, blond hair and had a big nose. The other prisoner was wounded in the leg and carried on a stretcher. He was of large build, over 1.70 meters tall, brown hair and had an oval face.

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