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JPAC ARRIVAL CEREMONY SET FOR MARCH 14, 2008

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, HAWAII – The Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command will conduct an Arrival Ceremony at 9 a.m., Friday in Hangar 35, Hickam AFB, to honor fallen U.S. military personnel whose identities remain unknown.

There will be three flag-draped transfer cases. Two of the cases are associated with the Vietnam War: one from the Lao People's Democratic Republic and one from the Kingdom of Cambodia. The remaining case is associated with a World War II loss in Palau.

Following the ceremony, the remains of these fallen service members will be transported to the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command Central Identification Laboratory where the forensic identification process begins. Once identifications are established, the names will be announced following the notification of next-of-kin.

In order to attend the ceremony, media must RSVP before noon, March 13, in order to receive access to the base and must meet escorts at the gate no later than 8:20 a.m. on the morning of the ceremony.

"Until they are home"

CDR Diana Sorrentino, USNR