

DPMO Cold War Incidents Report

Incident Data

Incident Date	Aircraft Type	Remarks
4/8/50	PB4Y-2	Navy PB4Y2 crew of 10 shot down by Soviet fighters over Baltic Sea, off coast of Liepaya, Latvia. Entire crew remains unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BECKMAN, FRANK L	Navy	E6	AT1	NEWPORT	KY	MM
BOURASSA, JOSEPH JAY	Navy	E4	AL3	LINWOOD	MI	MM
BURGESS, TOMMY L	Navy	O1	ENS	OSAWATOMIE	KS	MM
DANENS, JOE H	Navy	E6	AD1	CUTBANK	MT	MM
FETTE, JOHN H	Navy	O3	LT	CONNELSVILLE	PA	MM
PURCELL, EDWARD J	Navy	E4	CT3	QUAKERTOWN	PA	MM
REYNOLDS, ROBERT D	Navy	O2	LTJG	DANSVILLE	NY	MM
RINNIER, JOSEPH NORR	Navy	E4	AT3	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
SEESCHAF, HOWARD W	Navy	O2	LTJG	NEW YORK	NY	MM
THOMAS, JACK W	Navy	E6	AD1	STILLWATER	NJ	MM

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11/6/51	P2V	Navy P2V crew of 10 shot down by Soviet LA-11 fighters over Sea of Japan. Entire crew remains unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BAGGETT, REUBEN S	Navy	E6	AO1	DELTA	CO	MM
FOSTER, PAUL R	Navy	E6	AD1	TROY GROVE	IL	MM
HODGSON, JUDD C	Navy	O2	LTJG	DAKOTA	IL	MM
JURIC, PAUL G	Navy	E5	AL2	OAKLAND	CA	MM
LIVELY, JACK	Navy	E4	AD3	PAX	WV	MM
MEYER, WILLIAM S	Navy	E5	AT2	MIAMI	FL	MM
ROSENFELD, SAMUEL	Navy	O2	LTJG	SAN FRANCISCO	CA	MM
SMITH, DONALD ALLEN	Navy	O1	ENS	SANTA CLARA	CA	MM
WIGERT, RALPH A	Navy	E5	AL2	BURLINGTON	IA	MM
RAGLIN, ERWIN D	Navy	E6	AT1	LIVERMORE	CA	MM

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6/13/52	RB29	Air Force RB-29 crew of 12 shot down by Soviet MiG-15 fighters over Sea of Japan. Entire crew remains unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BECKER, ROSCO G	Air Force	E5	SSGT	TILLAMOOK	OR	MM
BERG, EDDIE R	Air Force	E5	SSGT	BLACKDUCK	MN	MM
BLIZZARD, WILLIAM A	Air Force	E5	SSGT	SAN DIEGO	CA	MM
BONURA, LEON FRANK	Air Force	E5	SSGT	BEAUMONT	TX	MM
BUSCH, SAMUEL N	Air Force	O4	MAJ	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
HOMER, WILLIAM ROBER	Air Force	E7	MSGT	JEANNETTE	PA	MM
MONSERRAT, MIGUEL W	Air Force	E5	SSGT	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
MOORE, DAVID L	Air Force	E7	MSGT	ASHLAND	KY	MM
MCDONNELL, ROBERT J	Air Force	O2	1LT	OCEANSIDE	NY	MM
PILLSBURY, DANNY H	Air Force	E4	A1C	ORANGE	TX	MM
SCULLEY, JAMES A	Air Force	O3	CAPT	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
SERVICE, SAMUEL D	Air Force	O3	CAPT	SPOKANE	WA	MM

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10/7/52	RB29	Air Force RB-29 crew of eight shot down by Soviet LA-11 fighters north of Hokkaido Island. Capt Dunham's remains returned to U.S. in 1993. Seven remain unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BROCK, PAUL E	Air Force	O2	1LT	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK	MM
COLGAN, SAMUEL A	Air Force	E5	SSGT	CHERRY TREE	PA	MM
ENGLISH, EUGENE M	Air Force	O3	CAPT	LAFAYETTE	CA	MM
HIRSCH, JOHN ARTHUR	Air Force	E6	TSGT	BURBANK	CA	MM
KENDRICK, FRED G	Air Force	E3	A2C	PELL CITY	AL	MM
NEAIL, FRANK E	Air Force	E3	A2C	HANOVER	PA	MM
SHIPP, THOMAS G	Air Force	E4	A1C	CARLSBAD	NM	MM
DUNHAM, JOHN R	Air Force	O3	CAPT	EASTON	MD	NR

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11/29/52	ACFT	USG civilian aircraft shot down over PRC. Two crew members (Fecteau/Downey) captured, two others (Schwartz/Snoddy) killed in crash.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
SCHWARTZ, NORMAN	Civilian					BB
SNODDY, ROBERT	Civilian					BB
FECTEAU, RICHARD	Civilian					RR
DOWNEY, JOHN T	Civilian					RR

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1/18/53	P2V	Navy P2V crew of 13 hit by Chinese shore batteries and forced to "ditch" in Formosa Straits. 11 initially rescued by Coast Guard plane, which crashed on takeoff due to rough seas. Seven from P2V (and three from Coast Guard plane) rescued by USS Halsey Powell. Six P2V crew members remain unaccounted for.

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Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
ANGELL, DWIGHT C	Navy	O1	ENS	DENVER	CO	MM
BEAHM, RONALD A	Navy	E4	AL3	ALTADENA	CA	MM
MORLEY, PAUL A.	Navy	E4	AT3	GLENDIKE	CA	MM
MCCLURE, WILLIAM F	Navy	E6	PH1	SAN DIEGO	CA	MM
SMITH, LLOYD	Navy	E4	AD3	DELAND	FL	MM
BYARS, CLIFFORD R	Navy	E4	AT3	POLLOCK	TX	MM
MACDONALD, WALLACE L	Navy	E7	AFC	SEATTLE	WA	RR
FRENCH, ROBERT L	Navy	E6	AL1		XX	RR
LUDENA, ROY	Navy	E3	AOAN	NEW YORK	NY	RR
VARNEY, VEARL V	Navy	O3	LT	PORTLAND	OR	RR
PROUHET, CLEMENT R	Navy	O3	LT	PATTONVILLE	MO	RR
BALLENGER, DANIEL J	Navy	E6	AD1	SAN DIEGO	CA	RR
BROWN, CECIL H	Navy	E4	AO3	OAKDALE	CA	RR

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7/29/53	RB50	Air Force RB-50 crew of 17 shot down by Soviet MiG-17 fighters over Sea of Japan. Capt Roche recovered alive on following day. Remains of Capt O'Kelley and MSgt Brown recovered along coast of Japan. Fourteen remain unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BEYER, FRANK E	Air Force	O3	CAPT	WEBBER FALLS	OK	MM
CZYZ, EDMUND J	Air Force	O3	CAPT	CHICAGO	IL	MM
GABREE, DONALD W	Air Force	E5	SSGT	SAN LEANDRO	CA	MM
GOULET, ROLAND E	Air Force	E4	A1C	MOUNT HOLLY	NJ	MM
HILL, DONALD G	Air Force	E5	SSGT	PATEROS	WA	MM
KEITH, JAMES G	Air Force	O3	CAPT	HOBART	OK	MM
RUSSELL, CHARLES J	Air Force	E3	A2C	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
SANDERSON, WARREN J	Air Force	O3	CAPT	PARKS RAPIDS	MN	MM
STALNAKER, ROBERT E	Air Force	O3	CAPT	HUNTINGTON	WV	MM
TEJEDA, FRANCISCO J	Air Force	O4	MAJ	LOS ANGELES	CA	MM
WARD, JOHN C	Air Force	O3	CAPT	PASADENA	CA	MM
WIGGINS, LLOYD C	Air Force	O3	CAPT	MARKSVILLE	LA	MM
WOODS, JAMES E	Air Force	E3	A2C	BUCKHANNON	WV	MM
BROWN, FRANCIS L	Air Force	E7	MSGT	MODESTO	CA	BR
O'KELLEY, STANLEY K.	Air Force	O3	CAPT	TOPEKA	KS	BR
ROCHE, JOHN E	Air Force	O3	CAPT	WASHINGTON	DC	RR
RADLEIN, EARL W	Air Force	E3	A2C	CHATTANOOGA	TN	MM

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4/17/55	RB47E	Air Force RB-47 crew of three shot down by Soviet MiG-15 fighters north of the Kamchatka Peninsula. The entire crew remains unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BROOKS, ROBERT N	Air Force	O3	CAPT	UNIVERSITY CITY	MO	MM
NEIGHBORS, LACIE C	Air Force	O4	MAJ	ABILENE	TX	MM
WATKINS, RICHARD E	Air Force	O3	CAPT	SAILSBURY	MD	MM

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8/22/56	P4M	Navy P4M crew of 16 shot down by Chinese fighters off the Chinese coast near Wenchow. Remains of LCDR Ponsford and AT1 Martin recovered by U.S. ships. Remains of AT1 Haskins and AT3 Curtis recovered and returned by Chinese. 12 crew members remain unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BARBER, DONALD W	Navy	E5	AT2	BURNS	OR	MM
CARON, WARREN EDGAR	Navy	E5	AO2	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
DEANE, JAMES BRAYTON	Navy	O2	LTJG	GRAND RAPIDS	MI	MM
FLOOD, FRANCIS ARTHUR	Navy	O2	LTJG	HUTCHINSON	KS	MM
HUMBERT, WILLIAM M	Navy	E4	AO3	DAYTON	OH	MM
HUTCHINSON, MILTON	Navy	O4	LCDR	CUMBERLAND	RI	MM
LOUNSBURY, HAROLD E	Navy	E6	AD1	WALNUT CREEK	CA	MM
MESSINGER, CARL EDWI	Navy	E5	AT2	LAREDO	MO	MM
POWELL, WALLACE W	Navy	E5	AE2	FOLKSTON	GA	MM
SPRINKLE, DONALD EUG	Navy	E4	AT3	SOUTH PASADENA	CA	MM
STRYKOWSKY, LEONARD	Navy	E5	AT2	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
YOUNG, LLOYD LAWAYNE	Navy	E4	AD3	DENVER	CO	MM
CURTIS, JACK ALBERT	Navy	E4	AT3	MOSES	TX	NR
HASKINS, WILLIAM F	Navy	E6	AT1	SPRINGFIELD	MA	NR
MATTIN, ALBERT PERRY	Navy	E4	AT3	DELTA	OH	BR
PONSFORD, JAMES W	Navy	O4	LCDR	COLUMBUS	MT	BR

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9/10/56	RB50	Air Force RB-50 crew of 16 lost over the Sea of Japan. There is no evidence to suggest it was shot down, and its loss may have been due in part to Typhoon Emma. The entire crew remains unaccounted for.

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Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
ARROWOOD, PALMER D	Air Force	E6	TSGT	TUTOR KEY	KY	MM
BEISTY, JOHN EDWARD	Air Force	E4	A1C	CONNEAUT	OH	MM
DAVIS, BOBBY RAY	Air Force	E6	TSGT	DOVER	DE	MM
DISBROW, LORIN C	Air Force	O4	MAJ	WAPPINGERS FALL	NY	MM
ELLIS, WILLIAM H	Air Force	E4	A1C	LEVERING	MI	MM
FAIR, WAYNE J	Air Force	E4	A1C	RED CLOUD	NE	MM
FEES, RODGER A	Air Force	O3	CAPT	AJO	AZ	MM
JOHNSON, RAYMOND D	Air Force	E5	SSGT	ELSINORE	CA	MM
KOBAYASHI, RICHARD T	Air Force	O1	2LT	CAPE MAY	NJ	MM
MAXWELL, HARRY S	Air Force	E4	A1C	SAN LEANDRO	CA	MM
MCLAUGHLIN, WILLIAM	Air Force	O3	CAPT	SAN BERNARDINO	CA	MM
RAHANIOTES, PETER J	Air Force	O2	1LT	CORONA	NY	MM
SLOAN, LEO J	Air Force	E4	A1C	BRONX	NY	MM
SWINEHART, PAUL W	Air Force	E5	SSGT	ELSINORE	CA	MM
TAYLOR, PAT PARTRIDG	Air Force	O3	CAPT	TAMPA	FL	MM
TRIAS, THEODORUS J	Air Force	E5	SSGT	LAKE CHARLES	LA	MM

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9/2/58	C130	Air Force C-130 crew of 17 shot down by Soviet MiG-17 fighters over Soviet Armenia. Soviets returned six sets of remains later that month. 11 sets of remains were recovered in 1998. All are now accounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BOURG, ARCHIE T	Air Force	E3	A2C	PARISH	LA	NR
DUNCAN, PAUL E	Air Force	O3	CAPT	RICHLAND	WA	NR
FERGUSON, JAMES E	Air Force	E3	A2C	KINGSFORD HEIGHTS	IN	NR
FIELDS, JOEL H	Air Force	E3	A2C	CYNTHIANA	KY	NR
JERUSS, EDWARD J	Air Force	O3	CAPT	NEW HAVEN	CT	NR
KAMPS, HAROLD T	Air Force	E3	A2C	LENA	WI	NR
MADEIROS, GERALD H	Air Force	E3	A2C	NEW BEDFORD	MA	NR
MAGGIACOMO, GERALD C	Air Force	E3	A2C	EVERETT	MA	NR
MANKINS, CLEMENT O	Air Force	E3	A2C	POINT MARION	PA	NR
MELLO, ARTHUR L	Air Force	E6	TSGT	ERIE	PA	NR
MOORE, ROBERT H	Air Force	E3	A2C	WEST MONROE	LA	NR
OSHINSKIE, ROBERT J	Air Force	E4	A1C	SHAMOKIN	PA	NR
PETROCHILOS, GEORGE	Air Force	E7	MSGT	LEVITTOWN	PA	NR
PRICE, LAROY	Air Force	E5	SSGT	HODGENVILLE	KY	NR
SIMPSON, JOHN E	Air Force	O2	1LT	RICHLAND	WA	NR
SWIESTRA, RUDY J	Air Force	O3	CAPT	COMPTON	CA	NR
VILLAREAL, RICARDO M	Air Force	O2	1LT	LAREDO	TX	NR

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7/1/60	RB47	Air Force RB-47 crew of six shot down over Barents Sea. McKone and Olmstead were rescued by Soviet trawler and held captive at Lubyanka prison until 25 January 1961. Palm's remains were found and returned 25 Jul 1960. Soviet documents from that time indicate Posa's remains may have also been recovered, and buried at an undetermined location. Posa and the other two crewmembers remain unaccounted for.

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Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
GOFORTH, OSCAR L	Air Force	O3	CAPT	SARDIS	OK	MM
PHILLIPS, DEAN B	Air Force	O3	CAPT	INWOOD	NY	MM
POSA, EUGENE E	Air Force	O4	MAJ	SANTA MONICA	CA	MM
MCKONE, JOHN R	Air Force	O3	CAPT	TONGANOXIE	KS	RR
OLMSTEAD, FREEMAN B	Air Force	O3	CAPT	ELMIRA	NY	RR
PALM, WILLARD G	Air Force	O4	MAJ	OAK RIDGE	TN	NR

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12/14/65	RB57	Air Force RB-57 crew of 2 lost over the Black Sea. There is no evidence indicating it was lost to hostile action. Search and rescue efforts by US, Turkish, and Soviet forces discovered parts of the aircraft, but no survivors or remains. Both crewmembers remain unaccounted for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
LACKEY, LESTER L	Air Force	O4	MAJ	LUBBOCK	TX	MM
YATES, ROBERT A	Air Force	O2	1LT	RIDGEWOOD	NY	MM

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4/15/69	EC121	Navy EC-121 crew of 31 shot down by North Korean fighters over the Sea of Japan. Two remains were recovered by US Navy ships. 29 crewmembers remain unaccounted-for.

Personnel Data

Name	Service	Grade	Rank	City	State	Status
BALDERMAN, LOUIS F	Navy	E5	ADR2	PHILADELPHIA	PA	MM
CHARTIER, STEPHEN C	Navy	E6	AT1	LOS ANGELES	CA	MM
COLGIN, BERNIE J	Navy	E6	AT1	DODGE CITY	KS	MM
CONNORS, BALLARD F	Navy	E6	ADR1	DAYTON	OH	MM
DUCHARME, GARY RAY	Navy	E4	CT3	DELAVAN	WI	MM
DZEMA, JOHN	Navy	O3	LT	EDWARDVILLE	PA	MM
GLEASON, DENNIS B	Navy	O3	LT	GUTHRIE	OK	MM
GRAHAM, GENE KENNETH	Navy	E4	ATN3	NORTHVILLE	MI	MM
GREINER, LAVERNE A	Navy	E7	AEC	LITTLETON	CO	MM
HORRIGAN, DENNIS J	Navy	E5	ATR2	FRAMINGHAM	MA	MM
KINCAID, RICHARD H	Navy	E5	ATN2	INDEPENDENCE	MO	MM
LYNCH, HUGH M	Marine Corps	E6	SSGT	CANTON	OH	MM
MILLER, JOHN ALEXAND	Navy	E4	CT3	KINLOCH	MO	MM
MCNAMARA, MARSHALL H	Navy	E7	ADRC	MANCHESTER	CT	MM
MCNEIL, TIMOTHY H	Navy	E5	ATR2	PLEASANTON	CA	MM
OVERSTREET, JAMES HO	Navy	O4	LCDR	BROOKLYN	MS	MM
PERROTTET, PETER P	Navy	O3	LT	STATE COLLEGE	PA	MM
POTTS, JOHN H	Navy	E6	CT1	FOREST	MS	MM
PRINDLE, RICHARD THO	Navy	E4	AMSAN	MORTON GROVE	IL	MM
SWEENEY, RICHARD E	Navy	E6	AT1	CHICAGO	IL	BR
RIBAR, JOSEPH R	Navy	O2	LTJG	AMBRIDGE	PA	BR
RANDALL, FREDRICK AR	Navy	E7	CTC	HALIFAX	MA	MM
ROACH, JAMES LEROY	Navy	E6	AT1	JACKSONVILLE	AR	MM
SINGER, JOHN HALLECK	Navy	O3	LT	BROOMALL	PA	MM
SMITH, RICHARD E	Navy	E7	CTC	SOUTH LAGUANA	CA	MM
SUNDBY, PHILIP D	Navy	E4	CT3	CAMAS	WA	MM
SYKORA, ROBERT JOSEP	Navy	O2	LTJG	LOXLEY	AL	MM
TAYLOR, ROBERT FRANK	Navy	O3	LT	CHICAGO	IL	MM
TESMER, STEPHEN JOSE	Navy	E5	CT2	UPPER SANDUSKY	OH	MM
WILKERSON, NORMAN EL	Navy	O2	LTJG	PLAINVILLE	KS	MM
WILLIS, DAVID MONROE	Navy	E4	ATN3	SIMI	CA	MM

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