

**PRESS ADVISORY**

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Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen will host an armed forces full honors ceremony for National POW/MIA Recognition Day at the Pentagon, 11 a.m. (EDT), Friday, Sept. 19, 1997.

Sen. John McCain will be the guest speaker. In 1967, while flying a U.S. Navy A-4 Skyhawk, he was shot down over Hanoi. He was a prisoner of war in Vietnam for five and a half years (1967-73).

The ceremony will be held on the River Parade Field of the Pentagon.

Media must be at the River Parade Field no later than 10:40 a.m. Media interested in audiovisual coverage of this event may contact Terry Mitchell at (703) 695-0169.