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*Thai, American
may be released
from Burma today*

CHIANG MAI

Burmese authorities are expected to release today one Thai and one American whose helicopter, presumably belonging to the Border Patrol Police, strayed into Burma and landed at Huey Kwang airfield Tuesday, informed sources here reported yesterday.

The Thai and American personnel aboard were brought to the Burmese border area city of Chiang Tung for interrogation but will be released today, the sources said.

A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy last night said that no American Army or Air Force helicopters were missing or unaccounted for.

The Border Patrol Police use helicopters extensively in guarding Thailand's northern border.

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