

Gary Sams – NATCO
Captivity during War in Columbia in 1990

Biography:

Gary Sams is a 28 year employee of NATCO Group. He has been involved in product engineering, development, and testing throughout his career with NATCO. He is currently the Director R&D based in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He oversees the development of new separation processes for the oil and gas industry.

Abstract:

In 1990, Gary was kidnapped from a jobsite in Colombia, South America along with 3 co-workers. During their captivity he and his co-workers were guarded day and night by guerilla fighters from the ELN organization. They were held captive in the jungles just west of Tibu in eastern Colombia. Their ordeal involved numerous adventures and mis-adventures.