N1960  NYPD BLUE  (USA, 9/21/1993-3/1/2005)  [TV SERIES]

Series summary: Police/crime series set in a Manhattan detective squad. Detective (later Sgt.) Andy Scipowicz is a Vietnam veteran. Though he is a central character throughout the series, Vietnam is only mentioned in a few episodes.

Bombs away  (3/1/95)

Credits: director, Jorge Montesi ; writers, Ted Mann, Gardner Stern.
Cast: Jimmy Smits, Dennis Franz.
Summary: In the primary story line, a disgruntled Romanian immigrant attempts to extort money from wealthy families by planting bombs. In the second story line, continued from a previous episode, a serial killer in police custody is shot and killed by a sniper outside the police station. The sniper turns out to be the father of one of the victims and a Vietnam veteran. He was recruited for this task by the wealthy father of another victim who paid for the ‘hit’ with medical assistance for the veteran’s ailing wife.

A sudden fish  (2/15/94)

Credits: director, Lesli Linka Glatter ; writers, Burton Armus, Gardner Stern.
Cast: David Caruso, Dennis Franz.
Summary: In the primary story line, a disabled Vietnam vet confined to a wheelchair is the victim of a robbery set up by a prostitute with whom he has had an ongoing relationship. He eventually takes the prostitute and the two thieves hostage at gunpoint in a bar, but he is talked out of further revenge by Detective Scipowicz (Franz), who is also a Vietnam vet.

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