

THIS DAY IN THE VIETNAM WAR: AIR/SECURITY POLICE SQUADRONS, VIETNAM & THAILAND

On This Day in JANUARY - Air Base Attacks

January 1st,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

New Year's Day

January 2nd,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 3rd,

1968, 0400 hours: Đà Nẵng - 49 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 2. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 2, Damaged 20,

VC/NVA POW 25.

1972, 0155 hours: Đà Nẵng - 6 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 2.

January 4th,

1970, 0100 hours: Phù Cát - 3 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 5.

1970, 0645 hours: Phù Cát - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 5th,

1970, 0635 hours: Phan Rang - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 6th,

1967, ---- hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt,

USAF LOD 1: Gabriel, Charles David A2C, 377th Air Police Squadron, Non Hostile Casualty: Accidental Homicide.

1970, 1833 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 7th,

1967, 0140 hours: Pleiku - 32 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0658 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 2 Rounds. No casualties or damage.

January 8th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 9th,

1970, 1808 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 1 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

January 10th,

1969, 0200 hours: Binh Thuy - 62 Rounds.

USAF KIA 1, WIA 4; RVN KIA 3, WIA 5. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1969, 2259 hours: Binh Thuy - 56 Rounds.

USAF KIA 2, WIA 5; RVN KIA 0, WIA 1. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1972, 0222 hours: U-Tapao RTAFB - 3 Sappers, Automatic weapons.9

8th Security Police Squadron:

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3 B-52s.

VC/NVA KIA 1 POW 0.

January 11th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 12th,

1966: Đà Nẵng - K-9 waited to cross runway. B-57 crashed on take-off killing two crewmen.

1967, 0140 hours: Binh Thuy - 67 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 9. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 5.

1970, 0201 hours: Udorn RTAFB - 25 Sappers, Automatic weapons.9

8th Security Police Squadron:

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

VC/NVA KIA 5 POW 0. 35 satchel charges recovered.

1972, 0157 hours: Biên Hòa - Sappers. Bomb Dump, destruction of munitions.

1972, Đà Nẵng,

USAF LOD 1:

Closson, James Stanley A1C, 366th Air Police Squadron, Non-Hostile Casualty: Drowned.

January 13th,

1969, c.2400 hours: Tuy Hòa - 30 rounds small arms fired at 483d SPS .7 No casualties or damage.

1970, 0200 hours: Ubon RTAFB - Sappers.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0.RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0. USAF KIA: K-9 King.

1970, 1906 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 14th,

1973, 2307 hours: Đà Nẵng - 7 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 4.

January 15th,

1969, 1932 hours: Pleiku - 17 Rockets, 122mm.

USAF KIA 0. WIA 3.

RVN KIA 0, WIA 0.

Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

January 16th,

1972, 0432 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 4 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 17th,

1973, 0327 hours: Đà Nẵng - 21 Rounds.7

USAF KIA 0, WIA 3. RVN KIA 0, WIA 1. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3. JP-4 Bladderbags destroyed 2.

January 18th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 19th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 20th,

1968, 0040 hours: Pleiku - 8 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA: 22. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1970, 1905 hours: Phan Rang - 1 Round. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 21st,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 22nd.

1969, 0558 hours: Đà Nẵng - 26 Rounds.

USAF KIA 1, WIA 19. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1971, 0458 hours: Biên Hòa - 1 Round. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1973, 0200 hours: Biên Hòa - 10 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 1.

January 23rd,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 24th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 25th,

1966, c. 0100 hours: Đà Nẵng - 20 Mortar Rounds.

USAF KIA 1:

Jones, .htm James B., A3C, 6252nd Air Police Squadron, Combat: mortars; Bronze Star w/V; Purple Heart a USAF WIA 6; RVN KIA 5, WIA 25.

1969, ---- hours: Phan Rang - Sappers, mortars & rockets. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 1515 hours: Phan Rang - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

January 26th,

1969, 0015 hours: Phan Rang - Sappers, 74 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 15, RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 2, Damaged 11,

VC/NVA KIA 16, WIA 1.

1973, 0225 hours: Biên Hòa - 26 Rounds.

USAF KIA 1, WIA 7; RVN KIA 0, WIA 3; Aircraft Loss 1, Damaged 1.

1973, 1123 hours: Đà Nẵng - 12 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

January 27th,

1966: Cam Ranh Bay AB,

USAF LOD 2:

- 1. Fields, Robert Louis III A2C, 12th Air Police Squadron, Non Hostile Casualty: Drowned/China Sea.
- 2. Gay, Gary Paul A1C. 12th Air Police Squadron, Non Hostile Casualty: Drowned/China Sea.

1970: NKP Thailand,

USAF LOD 1:

Robertson, Robert Merlin Sgt, 56th Security Police Squadron, Non-Hostile Casualty: Heart Attack.

1973, 0612 hours: Đà Nẵng - 25 Rounds.

USAF KIA 1, WIA 8; RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 2, Damaged 18.

January 28th,

1973, 0628 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt - 11 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0; RVN KIA 2, WIA 4. Aircraft Loss 2, Damaged 18.

1973, 0800 hours: Commencement of Paris negotiated Cease-Fire.

January 29th,

1969, 2138 hours: Binh Thuy - Sappers.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0; RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

VC/NVA KIA 2, WIA 0.

January 30th,

1968, 0214 hours: Pleiku - 13 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1; RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 2.

1968, 0328 hours: Đà Nàng - 40 Rounds.

USAF KIA 1, WIA 0; RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 5, Damaged 25.

January 31st,

1968, 0300 hours: Biên Hòa - 45 Rounds,

Attack: Multi-Battalion.

USAF KIA 4:

- 1. Maisey, Reginald Victor Capt, 3d Air Police Squadron, Combat: 10 Bunker; Air Force Cross;
- 2. Muse, Edward Grady A1C, 3d Air Police Squadron (Augmentee), Combat; Purple Heart; USAF

WIA: 26, Aircraft Loss: 2, Damaged 26. VC/NVA KIA: 139, WIA: 35, POW 25.

1968, 0320 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt Attack: Multi-Battalion,

USAF KIA 23:

- 1. Cyr, William Joseph Sgt, 377th Security Police Squadron, Combat: 051 Bunker; Silver Star;
- 2. Fischer, Louis Harold Sgt Tân Son Nhứt, 377th Security Police Squadron, Combat: 051 Bunker; Silver Star;
- 3. Hebron, Charles Edward Sgt, 377th Security Police Squadron, Combat: 051 Bunker; Silver Star;
- 4. Mills, Roger Bertha Sgt, 377th Security Police Squadron, Combat: 051 Bunker; Silver Star

USAF WIA: 86; RVN KIA: 32, WIA: 89,

VC/NVA KIA: 157+, POW: 9+.

1968, 2318 hours: Nha Trang - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

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LEGEND

AP Air Police

SP Security Police

USAF United States Air Force

RVN Republic Vietnam (South Vietnamese)

KIA Killed In Action

LOD Line Of Duty Death

NVA North Vietnamese Army

POW Prisoner of War

Aircraft Loss, Aircraft Damaged = US & RVN combined

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