

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

On This Day in MAY - Air Base Attacks

May 1st,

1971, 0009 hours: Binh Thuy - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 2nd,

1970, Base Unknown,

USAF LOD 1: Neel, Robert Ray Sgt, Non-Hostile: Gunshot/horseplay with weapons.

May 3rd,

1968, 0124 hours: Tuy Hòa - 24 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0045 hours: Phan Rang - Sappers; 12 Rounds.9

Beach Recreation Facility, 7 miles from base.

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

1970, 0132 hours: Phan Rang - Sappers, 10 Rounds mortar & grenades.9

Beach Recreation Facility, Gate.

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

1970, 0140 hours: Biên Hòa - 6 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0150 hours: Phan Rang - 6 Rounds mortar.9

Beach Recreation Facility, Gate. USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1970, 0609 hours: Biên Hòa - 4 Rounds.

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

1970, 0930 hours: Phan Rang - 2 Rockets.9

Beach Recreation Facility, Gate.

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

1970, 1806 hours: Biên Hòa - 7 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 23. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

May 4th,

1970, 0605 hours: Biên Hòa - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 5th,

1968, 0100 hours:

- 11 Rounds.

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

1968, 0152 hours: Đà Nàng - 1 Round. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 0155 hours: Binh Thuy - 74 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 11. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 13.

1968, 0304 hours: Biên Hòa - 35/60 Mortars/Rockets. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 0600 hours: Biên Hòa - 7 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1971, 0358 hours: Đà Nàng - 2 Rounds.

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

May 6th,

1966, 2330 hours: Dà Nàng- Sappers; ammo dump. Penetration failed due to K-9 alert and firefight. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

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1968, 0616 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt - 10 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 2105 hours: Phan Rang-6 Rounds 82mm mortars, No Casualties or Damage

Reported. 1971, 0539 hours: Pleiku - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 7th,

1967, 2250 hours: Binh Thuy - 69 Rounds.

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

1968, 0343 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt - 11 Rounds.

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

1968, 0645 hours: Biên Hòa - 3 Rockets. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 1930 hours: Biên Hòa - 2 Round. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0943 hours: Pleiku - 5 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, NKP, Thailand,

USAF LOD 1:

Palmer, Robert A. Sgt, 56th Security Police Squadron. Non-Hostile: Illness/Disease

1970, 1104 hours: Phan Rang - 1 Rocket 107mm. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1972, 0318 hours: Đà Nàng - 16 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 3. RVN KIA 0, WIA 8. Aircraft Loss 1, Damaged 2.

May 8th,

1968, 0300 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt - 14 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 1806 hours: Pleiku - 6 Rounds. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 2.

1970, 0044 hours: Tuy Hòa - 32 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0258 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 26 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage

Reported. 1970, 0535 hours: Phù Cát - 4 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 9th,

1968, 0030 hours: Đà Nàng - 4 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 0150 hours: Đà Nàng - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 2344 hours: Biên Hòa - 4 Rockets.

May 10th,

1968, 0324 hours: Biên Hòa - 5 Rockets. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1968, 0325 hours: Tân Son Nhứt - 7 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 11th,

1968, 2355 hours: Đà Nàng - 8 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 2. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 6.

1969, 0015 hours: Binh Thuy - 11 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1969, 0257 hours: Pleiku - 3 Rounds.

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

May 12th,

1967, 0101 hours: Biên Hòa - 189 Rounds.

USAF KIA 6:

1. <u>Holbrook</u>, Horace A., A2C. 3d Air Police Squadron. Combat; Bronze Star-V USAF WIA 31; Aircraft Loss 4, Damaged 32.

1968, 1800 hours: Đà Nàng - 3 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3.

1969, 0047 hours: Phan Rang - 30 Rounds.

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

1969, 0122 hours: Biên Hòa - 5 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3.

1969, 0345 hours: Đà Nàng - 3 Rounds.

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

1969, 0530 hours: Phan Rang - 9 Rounds.

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

1969, 2315 hours: Tân Sơn Nhứt - 30 Rounds.

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

1970, 0255 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1972, 0157 hours: Đà Nàng - 18 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 5, WIA 19. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3.

May 13th

1971, 0006 hours: Binh Thuy - 3 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1975, NKP, Thailand,

USAF LOD 18:

The following members of the 56th Security Police Squadron were part of the rescue forces during the

SS Mayaguez Rescue Operation (Cambodia). Their Helicopter Crashed prior to reaching the captured ship, killing all on board:

Black, Jimmy P. Sgt

Collums, Bobby G. Sgt

Coyle, Gerald A. SSgt

Dwyer, Thomas D. Sgt

Ford, Bob Wayne Ford, Sgt

Fritz, Gerald W. Sgt; K-9

Glenn, Jackie D. TSgt

Hamlin, Darrell L. Sgt

Hankamer, Gregory L. Sgt

Higgs, David A. Sgt

Ilaoa, Faleagafulu SSgt; K-9

Lane, Michael D. Sgt

London, Dennis W. Sgt; K-9

Mathias, Robert P. A1C

McKelvey, William R. Sgt

Moran, Edgar C. II Amn

Nealis, Tommy R. A1C

Ross, Robert W. Sgt

May 14th,

1968, 2253 hours: Biên Hòa - 4 Rockets.

1969, 0153 hours: Đà Nàng - 1 Rounds.

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

1972, 0149 hours: Đà Nàng - 18 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 5, WIA 19. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 2.

May 15th,

1968: Cam Ranh Bay AB,

USAF LOD 1:

Milligan, Randall Gale, A1C. 12th Security Police Squadron.Non-Hostile: Illness/Disease

1970, 2055 hours: Pleiku - 4 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 16th,

1969, 0021 hours: Phan Rang - 22Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 2130 hours: Phan Rang - 12Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 17th,

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1969, 0250 hours: Đà Nàng - 2 Rounds.

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

May 18th

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 19th,

1970, 0833 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - 5 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 1907 hours: Pleiku - 4 Rounds.

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

May 20th,

1968, 1945 hours: Biên Hòa - 2 Rockets. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 21st,

1968, 0300 hours: Binh Thuy - 40 Rounds.

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

1969, 2001 hours: Biên Hòa - 2 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1970, 0546 hours: Phù Cát - 6 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 3.

1970, 2355 hours: Đà Nàng - 3 Rounds.

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

May 22nd,

1968, 1815 hours: Nha Trang - 5 Rounds.

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

1969, 0003 hours: Phan Rang - 18 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1969, 2108 hours: Phan Rang - 1 Round. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 23rd,

1968, 2147 hours: Binh Thuy - 3 Rounds.

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

1969, 0138 hours: Biên Hòa - 3 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 3. RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

1971, 2115 hours: Cam Ranh Bay AB - Sappers.

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

1972, 2221 hours: Biên Hòa - 4 Rounds.

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

May 24th,

1968, 2030 hours: Binh Thuy - 40 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 1. RVN KIA 3, WIA 13. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 0.

May 25th,

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 26th

1968, 0330 hours: Biên Hòa - 2 Rockets.

1970, 0236 hours: Pleiku - 4 Rounds.

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

<u> May 27th</u>

No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 28th,

1969, 2234 hours: Biên Hòa - 4 Rounds.

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

1969: Phan Rang,

USAF LOD 1:

Grillo, Lawrence Hugh, A1C. 35th Security Police Association. Non-Hostile: Lightning/Guard Tower

May 29th,

1968, 0140 hours: Đà Nàng - 8 Rounds.

USAF KIA 0, WIA 0, RVN KIA 0, WIA 0. Aircraft Loss 0, Damaged 8.

1968, 2212 hours: Biên Hòa - 15 Rockets.

May 30th,

1970, 0749 hours: Phan Rang - 1 Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

1971, 0320 hours: Đà Nàng - 7Rounds. No Casualties or Damage Reported.

May 31st.

1969, 1417 hours: Nha Trang - 10 Rounds.

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

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AP Air Police
SP Security Police
LISAE United States A

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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