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WRIGHT, GARTH A., Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force

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WRIGHT, GARTH A., Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force 35th Security Police Squadron, Phan Rang Air Base, Vietnam Date of Action: January 26, 1969

Citation:

The Air Force Cross is presented to Garth A. Wright, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force, for extraordinary heroism in military operations against an opposing armed force as Security Operations Officer, 35th Security Police Squadron, at Phan Rang Air Base in the Republic of Vietnam, on 26 January 1969. On that date, Captain Wright was the key factor in repelling a highly trained and specialized North Vietnamese Army CO that was infiltrating Phan Rang. With professionalism, confidence, and extraordinary coolness under fire, Captain Wright organized and directed a blocking force that broke the attack. Walking into point-blank range of a heavily armed opposing squad concealed in the brush, Captain Wright, through fast reaction and exceptional skill, saved his men from possible annihilation and prevented the hostile forces from overrunning the base. Through his extraordinary heroism and aggressiveness in the face of determined action by hostile forces, Captain Wright reflected the highest credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.

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