U-Tapao RTAFB

635th APS/SPS U-Tapao RTAFB, 8 Dec 1965-20 Jun 1976; DET SPS, Ko Kha Radar RTAS

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Co A44/36th Signal Bn, 1st Signal Bde U-Tapao Army (Air) Base, Vietnam - 1969/70: "On the night of February 17th, 1970 five 105mm rockets slammed direct hits on several structures within the base camp area of a Top Secret U.S. Army communications unit." [Great Photos!]

Gunships - "On 15 December 1964 an entirely new weapons system was introduced into combat in Vietnam. The first AC-47 gunship took to the air from U-Tapao RTAFB carrying an armament of three 7.62mm General Electric SUU-11A miniguns, each capable of firing 6,000 rounds per minute. The 'Spooky' was an instant success in breaking up enemy attacks on hamlets and other defensive positions, and within a year substantial numbers of rehabilitated 'Gooney Birds' were in action throughout the combat area."

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