

Tan Son Nhut Air Base

South Vietnam!

1972

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1) TSN 1972-1973: Rumor had it that this was CIA training an ARVN Ranger battalion (behind all the bushes).



2) It always looked to me like regular paratroop training.



3) I always liked this photo of the AC119 gunship "warbird" taxiing past the 747 "Freedombird"



4) John Denver's "Take Me Home..." song comes to mind.



5)... in a pinch... this one would *take me home* just fine!



6) TSN - Remember this gate, eastside of TSN gate to Saigon? QC's ran their counterpart gate right next to it on the road.



7) This photo is of QRT at TSN 1972. I'm the handsome one... (center... in case you are wondering!). That's me in front, with Chuck Layton to the right side of the photo. Unfortunately, I can't remember the other guys' names in the flick... and no... *the nose didn't come with the glasses.*



8) Cross-Pistols pin, above USAF patch.



9) Took this one to record the degree of buildup being done before the peace treaty went into effect. Note the taped closed cockpit windows.



10) The US Gov't had sent so many C-130's they had no hangers, and no pilots for them all so they lined them all up on the runways just parked there.



11) 1972 QRT on patrol on north perimeter, having just left Alpha-5.



12)... Say CHEEEE-ZE !
Karl Jockell, with his usual *intelligent* expression.



13) Alpha-5



14) Tân Sơn Nhứt: Long Binh Gate.



15) It was okay to wear your civies into town.



16) Long Binh Gate - A little heavy *back-up* at the Gate.
I have the right of way... *any questions little fella?*



17) Security Police V-100, with a grinning A1C John Holman.



18) Quick Response Team, at Alpha 72.



Manning a USAF M-60 machinegun defensive bunker position at Tan Son Nhut AB is A1C David Doyle of the 377th Security Police Squadron.

19) Tân Sơn Nhứt: A1C Doyle (Deceased) manning a SPS M60 machinegun.



20) Alpha.



21) Fort



22) Helipad.

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