

MURKIN

early
1967

April 22, 1967

Trip over from California

After leaving Ft. Campbell, the unit went ^{A TDY group of 26 men were flown to} to Stockton, Ca. At Stockton, we prepared the ships for their over seas journey by wrapping them up to protect them from the salt spray. We then they were then loaded on flat bed ~~trucks~~ and ~~trucks~~ trucks and driven to the Alameda Naval Air Station. The Maintenance Crews went with them but ~~were~~ by bus.

From Alameda, they were loaded aboard the WWII escort carrier, KULA GOLF. There were three aviation ~~units~~ companies loaded on that carrier, ^{the 188th} 2 A.A.C. and 1 Thorhawk Company. ~~The other AHC was the 189th~~

It took 15 days to ~~to~~ cross the Pacific. Sgt. Lane gained 15#s in 15 days, the food was great. We dropped anchor at Vung Tau, and unloaded the ships onto barges, then onto shore. We spent the next few days getting drunk at night and putting the ships back together during the day. From Vung Tau, ~~we flew~~ our pilots flew the ships to Dan Trieng. The WEB. C.O. flew on May 22

Black Jack & (P-2 group) informed the 269th that all B-26 aircraft are flyable at Vung Tau

Assigned strength	188th	4th	154th	603d	OFF	W.O.	E.P.	total
					14	53	152	219
					0	1	8	9
					1	0	8	9
					1	1	70	72
					16	55	238	309

Assigned to Dau Tieng AKA

At 1312hrs on May 22, 1967

Black Jack informed 188th A/C that all are flyable at Voong Tau.

The 188th - Advance Party arrived 26 April 67

Mainbody arrived - 13 May 1967 30 April 1967

Ships arrive 31 May 67

(May 2, 1967 returned from 12th Br.)

162nd

187th & 116th

Operational training 2 June 67

- assigned to the 269th CAB

AP 096353

Operational - 15 June

9 bunkers complete

15 bunker perimeter

6 " incomplete

sand bag around 55 gal drums filled with water

June 25th - 188th LFT to orbit base camp from 2300 - 0100
LFT cockpit alert

1920hrs June 27th Dau Tieng Red Alert pos to VC to the east.

1922 187th to have LFT stand by in case of attack at D.T. (Pha Coung)
Diamond Heads pulled counter mortar at D.T. numerous times - we had no
gun ships flyable

H-3 Hotel 3 - Saigon - Liston spent a lot of time there
procuring supplies - meat etc.

XUAN LOC

Contact TOP TIGERS

30 June 67 - flew with vultures -

173d AC (Robin Hoods)

LAI KHE

162 AC.

Red Dog

Quan Loi

Phouc Vinh

1st INF. DIV.