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The 6252d Tactical Fighter Wing is located on Da Nang Air Base, a Vietnamese military airfield. The Base is located on the outskirts of Da Nang, about two miles from the center of town.

The climate is tropical with an average rainfall of 81 inches per year, most of which falls between September and November; the monsoon season. Daytime temperatures range from 65 to 105 degrees with June and July being the hottest months.

### MISSION

The mission of the 6252d Tactical Fighter Wing is to:

Exercise command or operational control as directed over assigned and attached units.

Maintain and operate support facilities and provide base support services as required.

Provide logistic and housekeeping support, for all facilities, as required for the satisfactory maintenance and operations of an Air Support Operations Center (ASOC).

Provide logistic support and facilities as required for the maintenance and operation of a Control Reporting Post (CRP).

Carry out such other missions as may be directed by the Commander, 2d Air Division.

BASE ORGANIZATIONS

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6252d Combat Support Group . . . . .	6112
6252d Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron . . . . .	6244
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315th Air Commando Group (TMC) . . . . .	6137
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Air Support Operations Center (ASOC) . . . . .	6322
Fighter Interceptor Squadron (F-102) . . . . .	6203
Tactical Bomb Squadron (B-57) . . . . .	Quail 258/259
Tactical Fighter Squadron (F-104) . . . . .	Quail 266

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Aerial Port	6240	Dental Van	6314
Airmans Club	6145	Dispensary	6333
Air Police	6110	Explosive Ordnance Disposal	6330
Air Vietnam	6252	Fire Reporting	117
American Red Cross	6386	Main Gate	6125
" " " Puma	114	NCO Club	6289
Base Operations	6151	Officers Club	6189
Base Staff Duty Officer	6294	Post Office	6146
Base Taxi (on base only)	6119	Take Ten NCO Club (Da Nang)	6345
Chaplain	6315	Time Hack	6191
Command Post	6111	USO Center	Puma 140
Communications Center	6170	Weather Forecast	6329

## SIGNING IN

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The sign in, sign out roster is located in the 6252d Combat Support Group personnel section in the Wing/Group headquarters building. During other than normal duty hours, personnel can sign in or out with the desk sergeant in the Air Police headquarters located just inside the USAF compound gate (see base map).

## BILLETING

The Base Billeting Office is located in a hut almost directly behind the USAF Dispensary (see map).

All newly assigned officers and airmen must check in with the Billeting Office for assignment of quarters. It is important that you sign in to assist in obtaining certificates of non-availability. Ph. 6294.

## DUTY HOURS

Normal duty hours for all Air Force personnel assigned to the 6252d Tactical Fighter Wing are from 0730 to 1700, Monday through Saturday. A one hour lunch period is authorized.

Sunday is normally a non-duty day with skeleton manning of required functions.

Located within the Air Force compound are an Officers Club, NCO Club and Airmans Club. There are no dues charged at any of the clubs and a membership card will be issued during incoming processing.

The Group Dining Hall is also located within the compound. Airmen through the grade of staff sergeant utilize the Dining Hall. All technical sergeants and above are required to purchase meals in the NCO Club. Permanent party personnel in the grade of technical sergeant and above are given an extra allowance (COLA) to defray the cost of their meals. TDY personnel in the grade of technical sergeant and above must also pay for their meals while they are here. When departing Da Nang TDY personnel will be given a certificate of non-availability for meals by billeting office personnel.

Operating hours of the clubs and dining hall are as follows:

Dining Hall

Breakfast	0500 to 0730
Dinner	1030 to 1300
Supper	1540 to 1900
Midnight Meal	2300 to 0030

Daily Including Sunday

Officers Club

Breakfast	0600 to 0930
Dinner	1030 to 1400
Supper	1700 to 2200
Bar	0730 to 2400

NCO and Airmans Clubs

Breakfast	0600 to 1000
Dinner	1100 to 1400
Supper	1500 to 2130
Bar	1100 to 2245

All incoming personnel will report to the 6252d Combat Support Group personnel section for processing. Personnel arriving at this station during other than normal duty hours will report for processing the following duty day, bringing all necessary records.

Do not report to your duty section until you have completed your processing or have been released to your section.

During your initial processing, you will fill out a locator card, mail card, application for a ration card, pay vouchers, etc.

Be sure to bring sufficient copies of your orders and any amendments.

It will also help if you have your itinerary made out in advance from the time you left your last station until you arrived here. You will need to show times, dates and mode of travel.

#### UNIFORM AND CIVILIAN DRESS

Either the summer uniform (505 or 1505) or fatigues are normally worn at this station. Fatigues may also be worn at all base clubs and theater. The work uniform may also be worn off base on official business.

Personnel are authorized to purchase and wear the Air Commando hat with the work uniform. The hat will only be worn with the left side fastened up and without ornamentation of any kind.

Civilian clothes are recommended for wear off base. Sports Shirts with tails will be tucked in trousers; square cut sport shirts may be worn outside.

Athletic shorts are appropriate only for sports activities. Shower clogs will not be worn with civilian clothes.

There is no finance office at this station. Pay records of PCS personnel are maintained at Tan Son Nhut AB in Saigon. PCS personnel are paid on the last day of each month by a pay master from Tan Son Nhut.

TDY personnel will receive checks by mail from their home duty station or through a TDY pay master from Clark AB, P. I. TDY personnel are paid twice a month.

All American forces personnel serving in Vietnam, regardless of rank, are allowed a maximum of \$200 in "green" (currency). This means that you can only spend \$200 in any one month.

Any additional amounts will be paid by separate check which cannot be cashed but can be sent back to the States for deposit or used to purchase postal money orders. Money orders are issued only for the full amount of the check.

A Class "B" pay agent is assigned to the 6252d Combat Support Group to help USAF personnel with pay matters. This agent is also capable of cashing U.S. Treasury checks stamped "green" in the upper left hand corner of the check, green colored Treasury checks from other stations, postal money orders, and travelers checks.

Personal checks can also be cashed at the clubs by obtaining a "check cashing slip" at the orderly room. Check with your particular club for any limitations it may have on how large a check you may cash.

## BUS SERVICE

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The Group Motor Pool provides bus service for military personnel to and from the city of Da Nang, a shuttle bus between the USAF compound and the flightline, and a bus to China Beach. All service is offered daily, including Sunday.

The first bus to Da Nang leaves from in front of the compound gate at 0930 and every half hour thereafter. The return trip from town leaves the Grand Hotel 15 minutes before the hour and 15 minutes after the hour.

Due to this schedule, drivers have been instructed to discharge and take on passengers only at designated stops. Scheduled stops are: I Corps, Take Ten NCO Club, Vietnamese Market, Ferry Crossing, Grand Hotel and the USO Center. On the return trip the same stops are made. The last bus from town leaves the Grand Hotel at midnight.

The flightline shuttle bus runs approximately every 15 minutes between the USAF compound and Base Operations, stopping at 8th Aerial Port and other points along the flightline. Service begins at 0500 and ends at 2200. Board the bus at the stop indicated on the left as you leave the main gate to the compound.

The 6252d Combat Support Group mail room is located in the Wing/ Group Headquarters building, across from the NCO Club. A mail drop is located near the front entrance to the building and mail is dispatched every afternoon including Sunday, at 1500.

The mail room is open from 1100 to 1200 and 1600 to 1800, Monday through Saturday. The mail room is also open for 30 minutes after receipt and posting of mail which arrives after duty hours and on Sundays.

A sample of the format to be used for your return address is:

SSgt. John Doe, AFSN  
(Your squadron and drawer number)  
APO San Francisco 96337

#### POST OFFICE

Post Office hours of operation are: Registered Mail - 0800 to 1200 and 1300 to 1630, Monday through Saturdays; Parcel Post - 0800 to 1630, Monday through Saturday; Money orders - 0800 to 1600, Monday through Saturday.

#### HOLD BAGGAGE

The Hold Baggage Section of Commercial Transportation is located in a tent between Base Supply and the Material Office (see map).

Personnel may check on their hold baggage in person or by phone. The section is open during normal duty hours. Ph. Quail (6108) extension 322.

## EXCHANGE

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A Navy Exchange is located near the main gate to the base. It stocks necessities as well as some luxury items. Hours of operation are: Monday through Saturday - 0930 to 1245 and 1400 to 1730. Sunday - 1300 to 1700.

## BASE LAUNDRY

The Base Laundry is located just north of the Billeting Office (see map). Service takes approximately three to six days, depending upon the work load. Prices are reasonable and bills are paid in American currency.

The laundry is open from 0700 to 1800, Monday through Saturday.

## BASE BARBER SHOP

The Base Barber Shop is located next to the Chaplains' Office in the USAF compound. The hours of operation are 0900 to 1700, Monday through Saturday.

In addition, there is a barber shop located in the new exchange outside the main gate to the base.

The 6323d USAF Dispensary is located adjacent to the Air Police headquarters building just inside the USAF compound main gate. Sick call hours are as follows:

Monday - Saturday - 0730 to 0900 and from 1300 to 1400.

Immunizations are given between 1400 and 1530, Monday through Friday. The dispensary is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week for bonafide emergencies.

#### DENTAL SICK CALL

The USAF Dental Clinic is located in a trailer next to the Dispensary.

Dental sick call is held from 0800 to 0900, Monday through Friday.

Personnel clearing in or out will only be seen from 1400 to 1530, Monday through Friday.

There is a Catholic and a Protestant chaplain assigned to take care of the religious needs of personnel of the 6252d Tactical Fighter Wing.

During your clearing in process you will be interviewed by one of the chaplains. The base chapel program will be explained during initial processing.

### CATHOLIC

Sunday - Mass, 0700 - AF Hanger  
          Mass, 0830 - Chapel  
          Mass, 1700 - Chapel  
Daily - Mass, 1200 - Chapel

### PROTESTANT

Sunday - Worship, 0800 - AF Hanger  
          Sunday School, 0930 - Chapel  
          Worship, 1030 - Chapel  
          Evening Worship, 1830 - Chapel  
Wednesday - Bible Study, 1930 - Chapel

### JEWISH

All Jewish personnel should contact the base chaplain for information concerning religious services.

Personal Security Measures are designed to minimize exposure of U.S. personnel to hostile action. The following are required under specific Security Conditions:

	<u>WHITE</u>	<u>GREY</u>	<u>YELLOW</u>	<u>RED</u>
1. Avoid large crowds and civil disturbances.	X	X	X	X
2. Secure vehicles.	X	X	X	X
3. Exercise care in using civil transportation.	X	X	X	X
4. Use alternate routes	X	X	X	X
5. Advise servants of security responsibility.	X	X	X	X
6. Observe existing curfews.	X	X	X	X
7. Refrain from forming groups (4 or more).	X	X	X	X
8. Report any unusual or suspicious acts.	X	X	X	X
9. Remain near billets.		X	X	X
10. Avoid public bars, restaurants, etc.		X	X	X
11. Remain in billets or place of duty.		X	X	X
12. Employ the "buddy system."		X	X	X
13. Cancel unnecessary social functions.		X	X	X
14. No travel after dark (except official business).		X	X	X
15. Inspect vehicles for sabotage.		X	X	X
16. Draw weapons and ammunition.		X	X	X
17. Minimize use of transportation.			X	X
18. Cancel all social commitments.			X	X
19. Review and implement defense and Emergency Destruction Plans.			X	X
20. Remain in quarters unless required at duty station.			X	X
21. Report to duty station.				X

A Curfew is in effect in the city of Da Nang for all U.S. Forces personnel.

HOURS OF CURFEW

<u>Days of Week</u>	<u>Non-U.S. Establishments</u>	<u>U.S. Establishments</u>
Sunday - Friday	2100-0530	2100-0530
Saturday	1800-0530	2100-0530

Changes to these hours are made from time to time as the current situation dictates. Be sure to be familiar with the curfew in effect before departing for town. If in doubt, call the Air Police desk sergeant at 6210.

U.S. establishments in the City of Da Nang are: USO, Take Ten NCO Club, Da Nang Hotel, and the MAAG Officers' Club.

ALARM SIGNALS

Air raid, mortar or ground attack is made known by the sounding of siren, gongs or by word of mouth. Upon notification of attack, personnel will:

1. Put on steel helmet.
2. Move quickly and quietly to shelter, if time permits.
3. Take all passive precautions, such as staying inside. If in sleeping area, get under bed and pull mattress over you.
4. Do not go outside until informed of "all clear," then report to duty section for roll call.

The all clear signal will be passed by word of mouth.

The Personnel Services Section and supply are located in the Base Theater. The section is open daily from 0630 to 1800.

Items available for free 24-hour checkout include: Athletic equipment, bicycles, fishing gear, tape recorders, movies and slide projectors, radios, etc.

The Arts and Crafts Center in the Base Library sells model airplanes, car models and other assorted crafts. There is also a photo hobby shop located in the Base Theater.

A mere 15 minutes ride from the main base is China Beach, a white sandy beach on the South China Sea. The water temperature during the swimming season is about 75 degrees.

For a full listing of opportunities and activities check with PS personnel located in the theater. Ph. Quail (6108) extension 232.

#### BASE THEATER

The Base Theater is located inside the USAF compound. Free 16mm movies are shown daily including Sunday at 1300, 1800 and 2000.

Popcorn and soft drinks are sold in the lobby before and during each performance.

The Base Library is located approximately in the center of the USAF compound (see map).

The library has some 1,800 fiction and non-fiction books on its shelves for checkout. A good assortment of magazines are also available to read in the library.

In addition, there are letter writing facilities that will accommodate four persons.

The library is open from 0800 to 2100, Monday through Saturday. On Sunday, the hours are 1200 to 2100. Ph. Quail (6108) extension 271.

#### OFF-DUTY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Personnel Services Section, located in the Base Library, offers the following services for those personnel interested in furthering their education.

1. USAFI Correspondence Courses.
2. USAFI End-of-Course Tests.
3. ECI Correspondence Courses.
4. Correspondence courses from 43 participating colleges and universities.
5. High School and College GED Tests.
6. Graduate record examinations for entering masters program.

Currently there are no classes being held in the Da Nang area because of the lack of qualified instructors.

An R & R Program is operated for U.S. military personnel stationed in the Republic of Vietnam. Currently there are two out-of-country areas to which U.S. military aircraft transport R & R passengers on a scheduled basis.

The areas are Hong Kong, (BCC), and Bangkok, Thailand. Personnel must have served a minimum of three months in Vietnam to be eligible for participation in this program. Contact Personnel Services for additional information.

#### RED CROSS

The American Red Cross office serving the base is located at No. 15 Pasteur St., in the City of Da Nang. Red Cross personnel are available at all times to handle emergencies.

Normal office hours are 0800 to 1130 and 1400 to 1730, Monday through Friday. On Saturday the hours are 0800 to 1130.

In addition, a representative is available in the lobby of the Base Theater from 1245 to 1345, Monday through Friday. Ph. 6386 or Puma (6191) extension 114.

#### CLOTHING SALES

A Clothing Sales outlet is located in the Base Supply warehouse, Bldg. 4231. Hours of operation are 1100 to 1700, Monday through Saturday. The outlet opened in July 65, and until adequate stock levels on all items can be obtained, there is a limit on the number of individual items that can be purchased.

