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### THE BATTLE TO SAVE SOUTH VIETNAM

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**KONTUM: COMMAND AND CONTROL**

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**SELECT PHOTOGRAPHS OF SOG SPECIAL OPS DURING THE VIETNAM WAR**

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**THE KONTUM MADONNA**

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*North Star Press of St. Cloud A collection of old and new poems about the Vietnam War by J. Vincent Hansen. 50 years after the war Hansen continues to mine his time in Vietnam as an 18 year old machine gunner with the 101st Airborne Division. These poems inform us that no soldier ever grows so old as to see a war's final ripple.*

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**KONTUM DIARY**

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**CAPTURED WRITINGS BRING PEACE TO A VIETNAM VETERAN**

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*Summit Group A North Vietnamese diary helps an American come to terms with the war*

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**DILLON'S WAR**

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**THE WERETIGER OF KONTUM**

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*Two Harbors Press Mike Dillon is fighting in Vietnam when he is attacked by a tiger. Mike never dreamt a tiger's bite would release the wild creature dwelling dormant within him, and the tiger didn't know he would find a spiritual partner in the man he stalked. While Mike serves in Vietnam the bond between him and the tiger grows stronger. The primitive tribesmen in the area perceive Mike and the tiger as a single entity, the mythical weretiger.*

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**BATTLE FOR THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS, 30 MARCH - 10 JUNE 1972**

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**SOG KONTUM**

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**SECRET MISSIONS IN VIETNAM, LAOS, AND CAMBODIA 1968-1969**

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*Casemate A year with the men of MACV-SOG at Forward Operating Base Kontum.*

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**PROJECT CHECO SOUTHEAST ASIA STUDY KONTUM**

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**BATTLE FOR THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS, 30 MARCH - 10 JUNE 1972**

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*Military Bookshop High quality reprint of this recently declassified 1972 study. "Kontum: Battle for the Central Highlands" is one of a series of Project CHECO reports on the North Vietnamese Army (NVA) 1972 Offensive. Predicted by most observers as the "logical" focal point of any new enemy offensive, action in the Central Highlands of Military Region II (MR II) remained disquietingly inconclusive until mid-May. While major battles at Quang Tri in MR I and at An Loc in MR III captured most of the headlines, a series of engagements at Tan Canh/Dak To and the smaller Fire Support Bases (FSBs) along "Rocket Ridge" set the scene for the major attacks on Kontum City of 14 and 24 May 1972. This report focuses primarily on the action in Kontum and Pleiku provinces, although significant events in other areas of MR II are mentioned. The almost immediate loss of Tam Quan, Hoai Nhon and Hoalan districts in the east coast province of Binh Dinh rendered the defense of the Central Highlands extremely critical since the loss of Kontum and Pleiku would, in effect, have split South Vietnam in two. The role of United States and South Vietnamese airpower in preventing defeat in the Central Highlands is the dominant theme of this study. In many cases, on-the-scene interviews with participants in the battles form the basis for personal assessments of the key role airpower played in the defense of Kontum City; however, tables and charts of sorties flown and Bomb Damage Assessment (BDA) are provided in an appendix.*

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## **LESSONS LEARNED, CASE STUDY OF ARVN ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITY IN NORTHERN KONTUM PROVINCE**

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*Contents: The Transfer of Responsibility for Northern Kontum Province; Task Force Lien: Command Control and Command Relationships; Task Force Lien: Plans and Operations; Task Force Lien: Intelligence and Intelligence Support; Task Force Lien: Combat Support; The 24th STZ: Supply and Logistics; The 24th STZ: Personnel Management; The 24th STZ: Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support.*

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## **DEBRIEF OF A NLD ADVISOR, KONTUM, VIETNAM, 1968-1969**

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## **TANKS ABOVE KONTUM**

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## **A VIETNAM MEMOIR, 1968-1969**

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## **VIETNAM**

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### **HANOI NEW SHOE STORY, KING KONG HOTEL, CENTRAL HIGHLANDS, KONTUM AND THE COFFEE TOWN**

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*Travelers tales, information & pictures from Vietnam. Ho Chi Min City, Hanoi & the New Shoe Story, Nihn Bihn King Kong Hotel, the Central Highlands, Kontum & the Coffee Town.*

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## **JUNGLE MISSION**

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*Pickle Partners Publishing Jungle Mission is a poignant account of René Riesen's life and mission during the First Indochina War amongst the Montagnards, and his ever growing love for these people by going native, learning their language, their traditions, their rituals, and their way of life. During World War II, Riesen worked briefly for the Vichy government and, following liberation, received a 20-year prison sentence. He volunteered to serve in the "BILOM" (Bataillon Leger d'Infanterie d'Outre-Mer), where WWII political prisoners could redeem themselves. Arriving in Saigon in May 1950 as a Colonial Infantry "2eme Classe" soldier affected to the BILOM—which by then had ceased to exist and most of its soldiers assigned to the BMEO ("Bataillon de Marche Extreme Orient") created in January 1950—Riesen was assigned to the 1st Company, 4th BMEO at the outpost of Kon Plong, controlling access to the coastal plains of Son Ha and Ba To; this post was located about a day's travel away from Kontum, positioned on a 1,800m high peak, where the rainy season lasted about seven months, with thick fog present almost every day. In December 1950, the 4th BMEO was renamed to the 4th Montagnard battalion, and its HQ remained at Ban Mé Thuot whilst its Battalions operated around Kontum. Riesen would go on to serve four years in the Kontum area and joined the GCMA after its formation, serving under Captain Hentic ("L'action Hre"). For his services in French Indochina, Corporal Riesen was awarded the French Croix de Guerre, the Croix des T.O.E (Théâtres d'opérations extérieures) and the Croix de la Vaillance Vietnamienne, with palm for his actions in French Indochina. As with many others, following his tour in Indochina Riesen was sent to the much quieter operational theatre of Algeria; however, this area too did not remain peaceful for long, escalating quickly into full warfare, and Riesen and his wife died during an ambush by Arabs in December 1956.*

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## **THE BATTLE FOR CHU MOOR MOUNTAIN**

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### **VIETNAM, APRIL 1968**

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*AuthorHouse In April of 1968 in Kontum Province near the Cambodian border, the 1-22 Infantry fought a vicious battle with elements of the North Vietnamese Army. This became known as the Battle for Chu Moor Mountain. The combat was intense with the First Battalion attacking, the NVA counterattacking, and the First Battalion attacking again. The NVA employed mortars, B-40 rockets, snipers, and even flame throwers. Elements of the 1-14 Infantry, 1-12 Infantry, and 3-8 Infantry joined the battle when it became clear that the enemy was in force and had decided to stay. After nearly seven days of heavy fighting, the NVA finally withdrew, leaving the mountain in US hands. This is a compilation of firsthand stories from the brave troops of the Fourth Infantry Division who participated in that battle.*

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### **HEROIC KONTUM**

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### **ON BECOMING A TEACHER**

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### **A HERMENEUTIC PHENOMENOLOGICAL STUDY OF KONTUM SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS' PERSPECTIVE**

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### **VIETNAM COMBAT OPERATIONS 1972 - 1975**

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*Lulu.com The years between the signature of the Paris "peace accords" in 1972 and the final collapse of South Vietnam in 1975 are usually neglected. Very often, they are little more than a footnote in histories of the Vietnam War. This does a great disservice to the fighting men of South Vietnam, especially the infantry, Rangers, airborne troops and Marines who fought long, bravely and under great handicaps and hardships in defense of their country. This history of the South Vietnamese armed forces operations between 1972 and 1975 reveals that during 1973 they had the upper hand in conflicts with the North Vietnamese. It was the abrupt end of American economic and material support in 1974 that doomed their efforts and brought about their eventual defeat. This period also saw Soviet and Chinese aid to North Vietnam transform the NVA from a largely light infantry army to a mechanized tank- and artillery-heavy combined arms force that so greatly outgunned the ARVN.*

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**LESSONS LEARNED, HEADQUARTERS, 7TH SQUADRON, 17TH AIR CAVALRY**

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*During the period the Squadron worked in AO's vicinity Kontum, Dak To and Northwest of Pleiku City. Delta Troop was on the ground West of Kontum City in support of the 1/22 Infantry and fought throughout the battle for the city. The Air Cav Troops conducted aerial reconnaissance missions in zones throughout the AO's. The Squadron supported Operation MacArthur by working in AO SPAATZ near Kontum City and Northwest of Pleiku City.*

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**DAILY REPORT, FOREIGN RADIO BROADCASTS**

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**OPERATIONS OF COMPANY C, 2D BATTALION, 35TH INFANTRY, 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION, IN A SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION ON 21 MARCH 1967 IN KONTUM PROVINCE, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM**

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**(PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF A COMPANY COMMANDER)**

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**PROBLEMS OF WAR VICTIMS IN INDOCHINA**

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**HEARING, NINETY-SECOND CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION**

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**HEARING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH REFUGEES AND ESCAPEES..., 92-2....**

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**AIRPOWER AND THE 1972 EASTER OFFENSIVE**

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*Pickle Partners Publishing In the spring of 1972, North Vietnam launched a massive, three-pronged attack into South Vietnam that was eventually repulsed by South Vietnamese forces, United States (US) advisors and massive amounts of American airpower. The problem is determining what factors were key to South Vietnam's successful defense. To that point, this thesis will address the overall effectiveness of US airpower in defeating North Vietnam's attack. This paper first examines the strategic and operational environment*

surrounding the 1972 offensive, including the role and influence that the leaders of the US, Saigon, Hanoi, China, and the Soviet Union had on the conflict. It then shifts to the three primary tactical battles, describing each in detail, from the initial communist successes to their ultimate defeat. Finally, the analysis focuses specifically on airpower's role, from the massive strategic deployment that doubled the available assets in theater in just over a month, to its operational success striking targets in North Vietnam, to its tactical successes on the various battlefields of South Vietnam. Ultimately, this analysis determines that US airpower, with US advisors playing a critical enabling role, was the decisive element in the defeat of North Vietnam's Easter Offensive.

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## **AIR POWER IN THREE WARS [WWII, KOREA, VIETNAM]**

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### **AIRPOWER IN THREE WARS**

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### **DILLON'S WAR**

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### **WERETIGER'S DELIVERANCE**

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Createspace Independent Pub A paranormal adventure tale featuring Mike Dillon as the Weretiger, a mythical beast able to shape-shift at will. The war in Vietnam is winding down while the battles for Laos are heating up. The weretiger is holed up in an idyllic jungle haven. When Mike Dillon's old friend from the CIA, Dave Duryee is posted to Bangkok as to head the agency there, he sees an opportunity to travel to Laos and help Mike break free of the tiger. Aided by a mysterious Eurasian, half French, half Vietnamese veteran of the French Foreign Legion, Dave hunts for and finds the lair of the Weretiger. The pair attempt a rescue and are caught up in the middle of a major Communist guerrilla offensive. The story contains many thrilling twists and turns to culminate in a surprising climax. Our story begins in Seattle, where Dave Duryee, college friend of Mike Dillon and CIA operative keeps daily tabs on the weretiger's presence by satellite camera. Each day he sees the secret pond. lair of the weretiger and watches weretiger, female tiger, and the little black dog called 'Snake'. he never sees Mike. When Dave is reassigned to the Bangkok office, he sees an opportunity to rescue Mike. He believes he can free the human from the tiger. In Bangkok he meets an old friend, a Eurasian, French father and Vietnamese mother. A tall thin mysterious Asian who is an assassin and manager of security for the Bangkok Agency. His name is Claude Lellange and he identifies with Dave because Dave is the only person who treats him as an equal. When the

*enemy/Comunists/Pathet Lao pressure heats up on Southern Laos, Dave sees an opportunity to go to Laos and enter a Special Forces A-team compound from which he can go of foot to the tiger's lair. He elects to take Claude with him. (Claude started as a bit player who would disappear when Dave went to Laos, grows in the story until he becomes the protagonist, a killer without remorse who seeks redemption in the jungle. Doctor Mary Leary, A doctor from Kontum, Vietnam and who tried to help Mike disengage with the weretiger in the previous story, links up with dave with what she thinks is the elixir that will cure Mike. They find the lair and encounter the weretiger and try to help him in the midst of a major communist offensive. The rest of the story builds to a surprising climax and redemption for Mike and Claude. The saga of Dillon's War begins with "The Weretiger of Kontum," continues with "Revenge of The Weretiger," and culminates with this third book of the trilogy.*

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## **1000 YARD STARE**

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### **A MARINE'S EYE VIEW OF THE VIETNAM WAR**

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*Rowman & Littlefield A grunt's-eye view of the Vietnam War through hundreds of personal photos Marc Waszkiewicz served three tours (1967, 1968, 1969) as an artillery forward observer with the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam, where he took thousands of photos capturing the beauty, drudgery, hilarity, and horror of the war. 1,000-Yard Stare collects the best of these in a book that presents an unvarnished grunt's-eye view of the Vietnam War. These are amazing, well-shot photos--most of them color, many of them truly arresting--of Marines in the field, in camp, on base, fighting, patrolling, writing, drinking, carrying on. Some have the feeling of candid snapshots while others are more composed (Waszkiewicz was, and is, an amateur photographer), with subjects ranging from a gunner calculating ranges with pencil and protractor and a chaplain conducting a battlefield mass to grunts smoking illicit substances while pretending to fish and images of barbed wire twisting in the jungle and watchtowers at twilight. Also included are photographs from Waszkiewicz's postwar decades of coming to terms with his experiences, such as a sequence of poignant photos from The Wall in Washington and his trip back to Vietnam. This is a visual memoir of the war.*

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### **THE EASTER OFFENSIVE OF 1972**

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*Pickle Partners Publishing Includes over 30 maps and illustrations This monograph forms part of the Indochina Monograph series written by senior military personnel from the former Army of the Republic of Vietnam who served against the northern communist invasion. "In 1968, a U.S. presidential election year, Communist North Vietnam initiated the Tet Offensive, striking at almost all major cities and towns of South Vietnam. This general offensive was eventually defeated by the collective efforts of the Republic of Vietnam, United States and Free World Assistance forces. Four years later, in 1972—again a U.S. presidential election year—North Vietnam*

*threw its entire military might behind an invasion to conquer the South. This time, however, South Vietnam had to fight for survival with only logistics and combat support provided by the United States. Almost all U.S. and Free World Military Assistance combat forces had been withdrawn when the first attacks began on 30 April 1972. By all standards, the Easter Offensive of 1972 was one of North Vietnam's most significant initiatives during the Vietnam War. This all-out effort involved eventually in excess of ten divisions on each side and affected the lives of well over a million South Vietnamese people. During the eight long months of fierce fighting, the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces put Vietnamization to a severe test. During the period of the Easter Offensive, I had the privilege of participating in some of its major battles, first as IV Corps and then as I Corps commander beginning in early May 1972. I visited many of our combat units as they fought the North Vietnam Army and commanded the RVNAF counteroffensive to retake Quang Tri City. My critical analysis of the enemy 1972 Easter Invasion, therefore, is based almost exclusively on my own personal observations, impressions and interviews with Vietnamese who were directly involved."-Authors' Preface.*

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## **YAO PHU**

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### **PARTICIPATION OF A LAY PERSON IN THE EXERCISE OF THE PASTORAL CARE OF A PARISH IN KONTUM DIOCESE, VIETNAM, IN LIGHT OF CANONS 517 §2 AND 785**

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### **CITY MAPS KON TUM VIETNAM**

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*Createspace Independent Publishing Platform City Maps Kon Tum Vietnam is an easy to use small pocket book filled with all you need for your stay in the big city. Attractions, pubs, bars, restaurants, museums, convenience stores, clothing stores, shopping centers, marketplaces, police, emergency facilities are only some of the places you will find in this map. This collection of maps is up to date with the latest developments of the city as of 2017. We hope you let this map be part of yet another fun Kon Tum adventure :)*

### **VIETNAM FROM CEASE-FIRE TO CAPITULATION**

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*An examination of significant military developments and social and economic conditions during the last three years of the war.*

### **MAD MINUTES AND VIETNAM MONTHS**

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### **A SOLDIER'S MEMOIR**

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*McFarland This thoughtful memoir recounts one man's transformation from a glory-seeking, gung-ho Kansas teenager to a weary,*

twice-wounded grunt who had volunteered for a second tour of duty. Enlisting in the Army in June 1964 at age 17, Micheal Clodfelter was assigned to an artillery battalion of the 101st Airborne Division and arrived at Cam Ranh Bay on July 29, 1965; on August 9, 1966, after having requested a transfer to the infantry, he was assigned to Charlie Company, 2/502nd Airborne, serving in Phu Yen and Kontum provinces. A second injury resulted in his medical evacuation from Vietnam on January 8, 1967. Describing the intensity of "mad minutes" (the general discharge of all weapons along a defense perimeter to discourage a potential enemy attack) amid the monotony, exhaustion and horror of war, Clodfelter writes of entering "a territory from which none of us ever really returned."

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## **TO WAR WITH THE 4TH**

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*Casemate The 4th Infantry Division has always been there in America's modern wars. On 14 September 1918 the men of the 4th Division stood up in their trenches and prepared to attack. It would be one of the first times that American troops would operate autonomously, aside from Anglo-Franco command. They would go over the top on uneven ground to be blown to pieces by German artillery and fall in their hundreds to the spitting of German machine guns, yet nevertheless win the day. In World War II on D-Day they scrambled ashore across the sands of Utah beach and remained fighting in Europe until Hitler was dead and Germany had surrendered. From the Normandy campaign to the hell of the Hurtgen Forest and the Battle of the Bulge, no other American division suffered more casualties in the European theater than the 4th, and no other division accomplished as much. In Vietnam they would execute precarious search and destroy missions in dense jungles against a determined and resourceful enemy. They experienced a series of major engagements that would entail 33 consecutive days of vicious, close-quarters combat in the battle of Dak To in 1967. For their actions in Indochina they would receive no less than 11 Medals of Honor. They fought in Iraq to topple Saddam Hussein, and in May 2009, at the height of Operation Enduring Freedom, the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team deployed to Afghanistan for a 12-month combat mission. They operated in the birthplace of the Taliban along the Arghandab River Valley, west of Kandahar City, a place often ominously referred to as "The Heart of Darkness." The 2nd Battalion 12th Infantry Regiment saw heavy combat throughout. Through firsthand interviews with veterans, across the decades, and the expert analysis of the authors, the role of one of America's mainstay divisions in its modern conflicts is in these pages illuminated.*

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## **EXITING VIETNAM**

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## **THE ERA OF VIETNAMIZATION AND AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL REVEALED IN FIRST-PERSON ACCOUNTS**

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*McFarland Although the Paris Peace Accords ended direct United States military involvement in Vietnam on January 27, 1973, the process of withdrawal lasted over three years. This illuminating volume chronicles this withdrawal, its background, and its impact*

*through a combination of official history and first-person accounts from key players at every level. Brief historical narratives join recollections from U.S. servicemen and support staff, North and South Vietnamese soldiers, and such notable figures as Henry Kissinger, Alexander Haig and Richard Nixon to reveal the human story behind the history. A biographical dictionary summarizes the lives of important individuals, a glossary presents unusual terms and acronyms, and an appendix analyzes the war casualties under each U.S. president.*

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### **VIETNAM FROM CEASE-FIRE TO CAPITULATION [ILLUSTRATED EDITION]**

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*Pickle Partners Publishing Col. William E. Le Gro was a staff member of the MACV (U.S. Military Assistance Command Vietnam) from 1972-1975 and served in Saigon during its last days. Armed with first-hand knowledge, including the GVN forces and their limits, this book will provide the reader with an accurate and detailed account of events following the U.S. withdrawal in 1973. Illustrated with 22 maps.*

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### **THE EASTER OFFENSIVE OF 1972**

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