

U.S. Army Military History Institute
950 Soldiers Drive
Carlisle Barracks, PA 17013-5021
20 Jan 2012

Vietnam War-Commands

MACV-SOG (STUDIES AND OBSERVATION GROUP)

A Working Bibliography of MHI Sources

[Despite its title, it was a joint special operations task force for highly secret missions]

Acre, James E. Project Omega: Eye of the Beast. Central Point, OR: Hellgate, 1999. 216 p.
DS559.5.A37.

Churchill, Charles W. "Interview with Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth R. Bowra." AWC student paper,
1989. 21 p. Arch.
Bowra led MACV-SOG reconnaissance teams 1971-72.

Clarke, Jeffery J. Advice and Support: The Final Years. Wash, DC: CMH, 1988. pp. 72-73, 205, 218
& 435. DS556.8.U5.C58.

Conboy, Ken, & Morrison, James. "The Rise and Fall of Recon Tram Asp." Vietnam (Aug 2001):
pp. 18-24. Per.
Covert US-indigenous force operating against Ho Chi Minh Trail, directed by SOG.

Dwyer, John B. "Inside Story." Vietnam (Dec 1992): pp. 22-28. Per.

Garner, Joe R., & Fine, Avrum M. Code Name Copperhead. NY: Simon, 1994. 431 p. U53.G37.A3.
Firsthand account by NCO, 1951-74. See index for pertinent coverage.

Gaweda, Tadeusz. I Love America: The Memoirs of Command Sergeant Major.... Pittsburgh, PA:
Dorrance, 1999. 264 p. U53.G39.A2.
See Chap. 13.

Fletcher, Wm A. SOG: MACV Studies and Observation Group: Behind Enemy Lines. Ann Arbor, MI:
Edwards, 1990. 4 vols. DS558.4.S32.

Greco, Frank G. Running Recon: A Photo Journey with SOG Special Ops along the Ho Chi Minh Trail.
Boulder, CO: Paladin, 2004. 429 p. DS559.5.G73.

Hamblen, Donald N. One Tough Marine: The Autobiography of First Sergeant.... NY: Ballentine,
1993. 337 p. VE25.H36.A3.

Nicholson, Thom. 15 Months in SOG: A Warrior's Tour. Thorndike, ME: G.K. Hall, 1999. 367 p.
DS559.5.N53.

- Parnar, Joe, & Dumont, Robert. SOG Medic: Stories from Vietnam and Over the Fence. Boulder, CO: Paladin, 2007. 147 p. DS559.44.P37.
- Plaster, John L. "MACV's Studies and Observation Group: Under the Lens." Parameters (Winter1992-93): pp. 106-7. Per.
Reaction to criticism of SOG by GEN Donn Starry in earlier piece.
- _____. Secret Commandos: Behind Enemy Lines With the Elite Warriors of SOG. NY: Simon & Schuster, 2004. 366 p. DS558.92.P534.
- _____. SOG: A Photo History of the Secret Wars. Boulder, CO: Paladin, 2000. 485 p. DS558.92.P532.
- _____. SOG: The Secret Wars of America's Commandos in Vietnam. NY: Simon & Schuster, 1997. 367 p. DS558.92.P53.
- Reske, Charles F. "Sneaky Petes." Vietnam (Feb 1991): pp. 18-24. Per.
- _____, ed. MAC-V-SOG, Command History, Annex B, 1971-72: The Last Secret of the Vietnam War. 2 vols. Sharon Center, OH: Alpha, 1990. 700 p. DS552.6.R47.
Reproduced history of MACVSOG.
- Saal, Harve. SOG: MACV Studies and Observation Group (Behind Enemy Lines). 4 vols. Ann Arbor, MI: Edwards, 1990. DS558.4S32.
Wealth of collected data, anecdotes, documents. Unindexed.
- Shultz, Richard H., Jr. The Secret War Against Hanoi: Kennedy's and Johnson's Use of Spies, Saboteurs, and Covert Warriors in North Vietnam. NY: Harper Collins, 1999. 390 p. DS559.8.M44.S58.
See Chap. 7.
- Simpson, Charles M., III. Inside the Green Berets, the First Thirty Years: A History of the U.S. Army Special Forces. Novato, CA: Presidio, 1983. pp. 143-52. #2108-SF.1983.
- Stanton, Shelby L. Green Berets at War: U.S. Army Special Forces in Southeast Asia, 1956-1975. Novato, CA: Presidio, 1985. pp. 205-11. #2108-SF.1985/2.
- _____. Vietnam Order of Battle. Novato, CA: Presidio, 1981. pp. 251-52. DS552.55.S73.
- Summers, Harry G., Jr. Vietnam War Almanac. NY: Facts in File, 1985. pp. 314-15. DS552.S95.
- Tourison, Sedgwick. Secret Army, Secret War: Washington's Tragic Spy Operation in North Vietnam. Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute, 1990. 390 p. DS559.8.M44.T67.
- War in the Shadows. Vol. 24: The Vietnam Experience. Boston: Boston Pub, 1988. pp. 75-93. DS551.7.D69v24.

Westmoreland, William C. A Soldier Reports. Garden City, NY: Doubleday, 1976. pp. 106-09.
DS556.4.W38.

See also:

- Oral history transcripts, Special Operations/LIC project, Arch. [Includes William Murray, Charles Norton & John K. Singlaub; and bibliographies on Special Forces, Laos, and Cambodia