



# Intelligence in the Vietnam War

## Conference Agenda

October 20-21, 2006

Holiday Inn Park Plaza, Lubbock, TX

### Thursday October 19, 2006

1200 – 1700 – Open Registration at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza

1730 – Reception – Cash Bar with heavy hors d'oeuvres – Holiday Inn Park Plaza

### Friday October 20, 2006

0730 – Coffee Service

0800 – Opening Remarks

- ◆ Donald Harrigan, Chancellor, Texas Tech University
- ◆ James Reckner, Director, Vietnam Center
- ◆ David Robarge, Center for the Study of Intelligence

#### 0830 – Session 1 – The CIA in Vietnam

Chair: David Robarge (CSI)

- ◆ Tom Ahern: *Rural Pacification as a Window on the Outcome of the War*
- ◆ George Allen: *The Intelligence-Policy Interface on Vietnam*
- ◆ Merle Pribbenow: *The Most Famous Unknown Agents of the Vietnam War*

1000 – Coffee Break

#### 1015 – Session 2 – The Phoenix Program

Chair: Mark Moyar

- ◆ General Patrick Hughes: *The Phoenix Program - One Member's Perspective from Vietnam to 2006*
- ◆ John Haseman: *The Phung Hoang (Phoenix) Program*
- ◆ Andrew Finlayson: *The Tay Ninh PRU and its Role in the Phoenix Program, 1969-1970*

1200 – Lunch



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1230 – Lunch Speaker

- ◆ Rene Defourneaux: *OSS Operations in Indochina*

### **1330 – Session 3 – Early French and US Intelligence Operations and Issues**

Chair: William Marcy (Provost, Texas Tech University – CIA in Vietnam)

- ◆ Alexander Zervoudakis: *Intelligence Fit for Purpose: French Intelligence in Indochina 1950-1954*
- ◆ Geoffrey Shaw: *Terrorism as a component of Insurgency during the Era of Ngo Dinh Diem*
- ◆ Mark Moyar: *The Interagency Intelligence Disputes of 1963*

1515 – Coffee Break

### **1530 – Session 4 – Technology and Intelligence**

Chair: William Williams, NSA

- ◆ Sharon Maneki: *Reinventing SIGINT Support to the Cockpit during the Korean and Vietnam Wars.*
- ◆ Xiao-Bing Li: *Fixing Dragon's Eyes: Chinese Anti-aircraft Radar Operations in North Vietnam*
- ◆ Timothy Castle: *Technology and People's War: U.S. Efforts to Disrupt the Ho Chi Minh Trail, 1966-68*

1700 – End of first day presentations

1800 – Reception

1900 – Banquet

1945 – Special Remarks by Dr. James Reckner, Director, The Vietnam Center

2000 – Banquet Speaker

- ◆ Major General Oleg Kalugin: *The Soviet Union and Intelligence Activities in the US during the Vietnam War*

2100 – End of Banquet



## Saturday October 22, 2006

0730 – Coffee Service

### **0815 – Session 5 – Strategic and Tactical Intelligence and the Formulation and Execution of Policy**

Chair: George Allen (CIA, Ret.)

- ◆ James Willbanks: *Tet 1968 - Anatomy of an Intelligence Failure*
- ◆ John Prados: *Sihanoukville and Cambodia - The Key Intelligence Issue after Tet 1968*
- ◆ Michael Hiam: *Vietnam Intelligence on Trial: William C. Westmoreland v. CBS et al*

1000 – Coffee Break

### **1015 – Session 6 –The Secret War in Laos**

Chair: Tom Ahern (CSI)

- ◆ Bill Lair: *The Thai PARU and the War in Laos*
- ◆ Hugh Tovar: *The War in Laos*
- ◆ Tom Briggs: *Special Operations in Laos: Are there lesson to be learned applicable to the Global War on Terrorism?*

1145 – Lunch

1230 – Lunch Speaker

- ◆ Robert J. Kodosky: *Lost in Translation: American PSYOPS and Intelligence in Vietnam*

### **1330 – Session 7 – Vietnamese and Soviet Intelligence Operations- During and after the War**

Chair: James Reckner (Director, Vietnam Center)

- ◆ Former DRV Official (TBA)
- ◆ Larry Berman: *From the PLAF Perspective: Pham Xuan An and the Battle of Ap Bac*
- ◆ Randolph, Stephen: *The Parameters of Surprise: The Easter Offensive, 1972*
- ◆ Konstantin Preobrazhensky: *Post-Vietnam War Soviet Intelligence and Counter Intelligence Operations in Asia*

1515 – Coffee Break



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## **1530 – Session 8 - The Human Factors of Intelligence, Counterintelligence, and Psychological Operations**

Chair: Robert J. Kodosky

- ◆ John Schindler: *Double Crossed: On the Failure of U.S. Counterintelligence in Vietnam*
- ◆ John Sullivan: *Of Spies and Lies: A CIA Lie Detector Remembers Vietnam*

1700 – End of second day presentations

1830 – Barbecue Dinner at Cagle's Ranch and Steak House (bus transportation provided)