

April 9, 2013

Mr. Paul H. Truong

**RE: AC-119 Gunship Association Reunion**

Mr. Truong:

Thank you very much for calling me back today – I was having difficulty making contact with someone from the **Vietnamese Air Force Veterans Association**. I live here in Houston, and in 2007 I was invited by one of your members (Mr. Harold Bach) to attend your reunion which was held at a local restaurant on Bellaire Blvd. Unfortunately Harold is now deceased, and the previous contact numbers I had do not work. In 1971 I flew with the 18<sup>th</sup> Special Operations Squadron on AC-119K Stinger gunships.

About 14 years ago several former AC-119 Stinger and Shadow aircrew, maintenance, and other Special Operations personnel organized the **AC-119 Gunship Association** to provide a means to reunite our group again. We have been holding reunions every year since then in several states including Florida, New Mexico, California, Ohio, Missouri, and South Carolina. **This year our reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas, September 26-29, 2013** at the El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel.

**On behalf of the AC-119 Gunship Association we would like to invite all members of the Vietnamese Air Force Veterans Association to join us at our reunion this year in San Antonio.** We always have a large attendance of former gunshippers from all over the US, and we are certain that you will see some old friends, make some new acquaintances, and have a very enjoyable weekend with all of the planned reunion activities. **We remember all of our former VNAF friends – AC-47, AC-119G, AC-119K, A-1, A-37, F-5, UH-1, O-1, +++ everyone is welcome!**

The AC-119 Gunship Association website is: [www.ac-119gunships.com](http://www.ac-119gunships.com) . We invite you to browse through our webpages, photo albums, and even leave a note in the Guestbook to let us know that you visited. Information for our reunion, including registration information can be found on the following page:

<http://www.ac-119gunships.com/association/reunion/reunioninfo2013.htm>

We would appreciate it if you would distribute this letter to your organization, and we welcome all of your members to join us in San Antonio this September for a memorable reunion. Please feel free to contact myself or any of the Association Officers if you might have any questions or need any additional information. I have attached some additional contact information for our organization on the following page.

**On behalf of the AC-119 Gunship Association we look forward to seeing you in San Antonio.**

Sincerely yours,

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**2013 AC-119 Gunship Reunion**  
El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel  
San Antonio, TX

**September 26th through 29th**