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French Book project / Communication Zone US Army & USAFE in France 1950- 1967

Three French authors are currently working on a multi-volume series (in French) focusing on US military presence in France during the Cold War (1950-67).

They need your help to testify of the huge effort made by the USA to maintain peace in Europe.



- Retired French Air Force Colonel **Pierre-Alain ANTOINE** (left), former fighter pilot, authored several books about aviation history.
- **Fabrice Loubette** (center), webmaster of www.france-air-nato.net authored a book and several articles about NATO air forces in France (50's-60's).
- **Pierre Labrude** (right), Professor at Nancy University (Pharmacy) authored several studies on US healthcare system in France during the cold war.

They are looking for testimonies, pictures and papers from former GI's once based along the Communication Zone in France (BASEC, OAC, ADSEC) either in ammunition, fuel, engineer, chemical or ordnance depots... as well as US Army & Air Force hospitals, headquarters and airfields / airbases.

The first book has been published (March 2017) and covers the following aspects :



- **Toul area US garrison** (US Army in Toul Engineer Depot, Nancy Ordnance Depot, Jeanne d'Arc Hospital, as well as USAFE in Toul-Rosieres Air Base, Regina village and Toulaire housing...)
- **The US Army healthcare network across France** (military hospitals, medical depots, USAFE hospital in Evreux, Air Base hospitals...)
- **The US Army Aviation in France** in the 50's-60s (aircraft used within the US Army, US Army Airfields across France, as well as landing strips on the ADSEC / BASEC camps...)

We have just started writing the next volume. Our goal is to publish the next one in 2018, and a third one maybe in 2019.

The following volumes will deal with others aspects of the US presence in France, such as:

- Pipeline network across France,
- the NATO, ARMY and Air Forces Headquarters and war commanding bunkers in the Paris / Fontainebleau area,
- the Atlantic harbors US Army's installations,
- US troops and family housing in France & GI's off duty pastimes & social life,
- the US Navy 6th Fleet in Villefranche Sur Mer,
- Telecommunications network across France,
- the US Army railway system and network,
- the official French-US political/ diplomatic agreements for setting troops in France in peacetime
- ...

—> **Have you been involved in any of these aspects of the US Army / USAFE presence in France?**

—> **Would you like to testify so that your commitment to this impressive adventure will be remembered?**

So please, share your memories with us, so we can document this little known historical aspect of French-American military alliance!

To reach the three of them, just copy and paste the following address line :

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Thank you very much in advance!

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