# The Struggle For Vietnam: Pleiku Province Campaign 345



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The Struggle For Vietnam: Pleiku Province Campaign 345 is a gripping account of one of the most pivotal battles of the Vietnam War. The battle took place in the Central Highlands of Vietnam in October 1965, and it pitted the United States Army against the North Vietnamese Army (NVA).

The battle began on October 19, when the NVA launched a surprise attack on the American base at Pleiku. The Americans were outnumbered and outgunned, but they fought back fiercely. The battle raged for three days, and it resulted in heavy casualties on both sides.

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Army. The battle is still studied today by military historians, and it is considered to be one of the most important battles of the war.

#### The Battle

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The NVA attacked the base with a force of approximately 2,000 men. The Americans were initially caught off guard, but they quickly rallied and fought back. The battle was fought in close quarters, and both sides suffered heavy losses.

On the third day of the battle, the Americans launched a counterattack that drove the NVA from the base. The Americans won the battle, but they paid a heavy price. More than 100 American soldiers were killed, and hundreds more were wounded.

#### The Aftermath

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The battle had a number of consequences. First, it led to the United States increasing its troop strength in Vietnam. Second, it led to the increased use

of American air power in the war. Third, it led to the increased involvement of the North Vietnamese Army in the war.

The battle also had a significant impact on the American public. The images of the battle on television and in newspapers shocked and horrified many Americans. The battle helped to turn the American public against the war, and it contributed to the growing anti-war movement.

#### The Legacy

The Pleiku Province Campaign 345 is a reminder of the human cost of war. The battle was a tragedy for both the Americans and the North Vietnamese. It is a reminder of the importance of peace and the need to resolve conflicts through negotiation rather than violence.

The battle is also a reminder of the courage and sacrifice of the American soldiers who fought in Vietnam. The soldiers who fought in the Pleiku Province Campaign 345 were some of the bravest and most dedicated men and women in the United States military. They fought for their country, and they sacrificed their lives for the cause of freedom.

The Pleiku Province Campaign 345 is a story of courage, sacrifice, and tragedy. It is a story that should be remembered and honored.

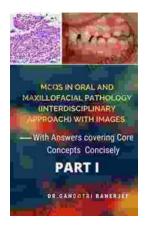


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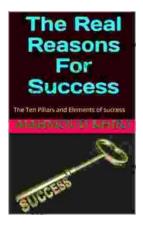
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