

# Maguire Air Base Ready To Aid In P.O.W. Return

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Maguire Air Base is ready to aid in the return of prisoners of war to their homes and their families. The command here is prepared to dispatch its fleet of C-141 Starlifters and cargo planes in a matter of minutes to anywhere the Pentagon might indicate. Its bombers, which cruise at 30,000 feet, can span the Pacific in a single fueling.

Ground crews and members of the 21st Air Transport Wing, which has its headquarters here, were holding themselves in readiness and watching the television screen as they will assist in the return of the prisoners of war.

Most of the command's

... hospitals in the United States. Prisoners, each of whom is sent to the hospital nearest his home.

The Military Air Transport Command has a long history of operations, a number of which are connected with Southeast Asia.

In 1967, the command's Operation Wingspan, a major effort to return American soldiers from the battlefield in Vietnam to U.S. International Airport, O'Hare, Ill., was a success.

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The base is located in the northwest corner of Burlington County, N.J., and is commanded by Col. George M. ...

Thomas ... Army ...

... through ...

The ... Whole ... established ... supplied blood for transfusions to casualties in Southeast Asia during the war in what became known as the "9,000-mile transfusion."