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[10:01:25.21]

Aerial view of Ho-Chi-Min trail, a complex road system in South Vietnam and Cambodia.

[10:02:33.04]

Airplane starting engine. Shot of AC-130 side firing aircraft. Planes takes off.

[10:03:29.23]

Aerial shot of land from inside AC-130.

[10:03:48.11]

Uniformed soldier addressing the camera, designed for soldiers. He gives technical instructions.

[10:04:33.15]

Small toy plane revolves in circles on a long, tall pole. Soldier host continues to talk.

[10:05:02.02]

Soldier host explains drawing on blackboard.

[10:06:03.16]

Animation of truck on a jungle trail. A yellow cross/gun target rests on the truck.

[10:07:08.26]

Host explains the wind's impact on an aircraft, displayed on two posters.

[10:08:23.20]

Helicopter in the air. Three pilots. Shot of two twenty millimeter vocane cannons. Shells are fed into the guns by two soldiers.

[10:08:52.11]

Shot of mini guns, 7.62 millimeters. Shot of guns in full operation.

[10:09:21.15]

Pilot in his seat, soldier nearby loads very large golden bullets into gun.

[10:09:57.24]

Bullets soar through the air, bobbing up and down, appearing in bright white and green.

[10:10:22.11]

Soldier lays on open ramp in the rear to watch below for the path of the bullets, or triple A.

[10:10:57.21]

Explosion of bullets in clouds looks misty green.

[10:11:08.18]

Sensor operators booth in cargo dept., computer screens.

[10:11:48.16]

Animation on computer screen.

[10:12:20.00]

Complex panel of dials and buttons inside aircraft. Shot of infrared reconnaissance system and low light level television.

[10:13:26.10]

Aerial view of ground far below from infrared reconnaissance system. Truck explosion on road below on the ground. Continued footage of ground, aiming at objects.

[10:15:31.24]

Explanation of how to target and hit a truck. Pilot aims while a truck drives down the road. Large explosion.

[10:16:07.26]

Soldiers talk excitedly about the trucks below, describing their actions and aiming carefully. They discover a large group of trucks. The blow up the trucks one by one.

[10:18:19.07]

The fire control officer sits, focused. Shot of analog fire control system which displays the target information. The navigator turns knobs on a control panel.

[10:19:22.06]

Shot of two bright glowing crosses, aiming at an object. The pilots tries to match up the two crosses.

[10:19:40.19]

Navigator looks at a map. They fire the shot at a ship on the water, direct hit, explosion.

[10:21:35.05]

They zoom in on the explosion, very large. Flames and smoke fill the air.

[10:23:24.23]

Aerial shot of ground, fire on target, explosion.

[10:23:39.20]

Computer graphics. Summary, with previously shown footage.

[10:27:08.05]

Ending music.

New Video: C-130 Cargo Aircrafts. Color.

[10:27:51.25]

Soldier rides on large yellow truck with 15,000 pound bomb. Bomb approaches opened back of airplane.

[10:28:19.00]

Soldiers push bomb into airplane.

[10:28:28.15]

Soldiers in the sky.

[10:28:52.27]

Shot of airborne airplane, from distance. A parachute attached to the bomb waves in the air outside the airplane.

[10:29:09.29]

Pilot concentrating, hands steering the plane.

[10:29:17.29]

A soldier releases the bomb, it exits the aircraft. It floats through the air with the parachute above.

[10:29:34.08]

The parachute and board attached to the bomb break away, it falls with full force. A second white parachute, also attached to the bomb, is released. The soldiers watch the bomb fall on their camera. Large explosion.

[10:30:03.19]

Red animated words appear on the screen; "anything, anywhere, anytime".

[10:30:07.04]

Shot of C-130 Hercules transport plane. Four soldiers push large package onto of plane.

[10:30:23.26]

Soldier pushes cargo off a fork lift. Shot of man waving fork lift forward. Man backs up forklift.

[10:30:45.08]

Soldier talks over intercom. Soldiers walk together, with guns and equipment on their backs.

[10:31:07.27]

A man secures the cargo with a heavy metal chain.

[10:31:18.05]

Soldiers load a C-130 one by one. They praise the plane. Soldiers sit around, in conversation.

[10:32:13.28]

C-130 airborne. Aerial view of fields. Plane lands. Distant shot of C-130 landing. It lands on an unpaved runway, lots of dust.

[10:33:12.09]

Soldier signals landed plane to move to the right.

[10:33:22.14]

Soldier cuts lettuce with a knife. C-130 brings fresh vegetables in wooden cargo boxes, inc. carrots, celery, tomatoes, onions. Soldier prepares food.

[10:33:47.00]

Soldier pulls a milk carton out of a box. He carries food on a plate and a drink.

[10:34:16.25]

Soldier walks out on the tail of the plane. It is dark outside. Soldiers yell greetings to each other.

[10:34:58.11]

Army truck sits at a distance, headlights on. Soldier turns equipment on. Soldier moves cargo on plane at dawn.

[10:35:31.09]

1970's elevator music.

[10:35:35.19]

Aerial view of ground from the cockpit. Plane lands. Shots from inside and outside the plane.

[10:36:36.02]

The plane shuts down, its fans slow down.

[10:36:39.27]

Soldier moves large plastic tube on ground. Two soldiers connect it. It fuels the plane.

[10:36:55.09]

Liquid comes out of a rubber hose. A helicopter is running, sitting on the ground.

[10:37:09.20]

Line of helicopters in sky.

[10:37:34.02]

C-130 takes off.

[10:38:11.09]

Men repair an airplane.

[10:39:03.00]

Plane takes off.

[10:39:35.05]

Plane lands.

[10:40:16.25]

Soldiers drive fork lift with wheels. They lower equipment from the plane. Soldiers drive around heavy equipment carrying cargo for the plane.

[10:41:08.16]

Soldier flags in an airplane. Fork lift takes cargo off of plane. Lots of action on the airbase, moving cargo, heavy equipment.

[10:42:03.24]

Man drinks water, another man eats. Soldier climbs onto large truck. Soldier takes notes.

[10:42:22.08]

Large truck drives by with 'US Air Force' on the side. American flag in background.

[10:42:45.17]

Airplane takes off. Cargo is loaded onto airplane. Airplane takes off.

[10:43:32.00]

Red cross truck arrives with human cargo, those who are sick or wounded.

[10:43:50.16]

Soldier are carried off bus on stretcher. Man fills in paperwork.

[10:44:28.19]

Soldiers unwrap a doughnut, a small milk carton sits nearby.

[10:44:44.11]

Soldiers load the red cross truck.

[10:44:56.10]

Airplane propellers begin to turn. Plane departs from airport.