

ASA'ers – I attended this briefing at the Greenville Poinsett Club earlier this. Obviously, the invitation caught my eye when it said "Berlin" since I was stationed there from 1979-1984. Everyone on "the hill" knew who Det A was and some of our work went to support them. It was a very good brief so I thought I would pass along the info on it. Larry Foster



*From 1956 to 1984, Detachment "A", a clandestine unit of about 90 Green Berets based in Berlin Germany,*

*were involved in some of the most sensitive operations of the Cold War. At that time Berlin was part of the German Democratic Republic (East Germany), located behind the Iron Curtain. They wore civilian clothes, spoke fluent German and stayed on high alert 24 hours a day. For nearly 30 years during the Cold War, some of America's most elite soldiers worked in secret. Their missions, always classified, are still largely unknown and absent from the history books.*

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