



# Sustaining the Commitment: Australian Army Logistics in South Vietnam, 1962–1973

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From 1962, Australia's military commitment to Vietnam grew from a small advisory team to a task force of thousands — yet no comprehensive study of the supporting logistics existed until now.

Drawing on Ian Finlayson's groundbreaking research, this presentation examines the Army's ad hoc approach to supplying its deployed forces: built on flawed assumptions about US support and a cultural indifference to logistics. It explores how these shortcomings were severely tested after the 1968 Tet Offensive, and the lessons for today's Australian Army planners.

## Speaker

Major Ian Finlayson (ret'd)

## Details

Mon, 22 June, 5:30pm -  
6:30pm AEST Boardroom  
2.54, Level 2, Hedley Bull  
Building & Online (Zoom)

## Register

