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An Interview with Denis Healy
Part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library
Veterans Remember Oral History project

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Denis Healy, a U.S. Army Military Police veteran who was posted in South Korea in the year following the armistice being signed., was interviewed on the below listed dates as part of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library's *Veterans Remember* Oral History project.

Interview date & location:

Date: September 25, 2007

Location: Mr. Healy's Chicago residence in city's Gold Coast neighborhood.

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Biographical Information & Synopsis: Denis Healy was born May 2nd, 1933 and grew up in the Bronx, New York in an Irish ethnic neighborhood, attending Catholic schools then enrolled in the City College of New York in 1950, where he also signed up for Army ROTC.

He spent two years in college before he was drafted into the Army, and following basic training, was stationed to South Korea in January of 1954, just months after the armistice was signed. He was soon assigned to the 55th Military Police Company, where he served for a short time guarding a fuel pipeline from Inchon to Kimpo, Air Force Base, before being transferred to the 728th Military Police Battalion. Mr. Healy discusses his views of post-war Korea and the Korean people. Following his service in Korea, Mr. Healy returned to the states, finding work with Colgate Palmolive, then Mennan as a chemist and product developer.

Topics Covered: U.S. Army during Korean War; 55th Military Police Company; 728th Military Police Battalion; Military Police duty in South Korea in mid 1950s; Yong Dung Po, South Korea; Seoul, Korea; Kimpo Air Force Base

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