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# Alconbury Aggressors



*74-1542 - (R.1200) Delivered to 527th TFTAS on 21 May 1976. It initially carried the 'Ghost' colour scheme, as shown on the photograph, but this was changed to 'New Blue' (see 32) in the early 1980s. Initially, all F-5Es, including this one, had the last two digits of the serial repeated on the nose in black, outlined in yellow. 74-1542 was lost on 15 January 1986 near Ramstein AB, West Germany. The pilot ejected safely. The photograph was taken at Ramstein on 12 July 1979.*

*(Dick Wels)*



*74-1548 - (R.1206) Delivered to 527th TFTAS on 14 June 1976 and carried an all-silver colour scheme as shown on the right. This aircraft was lost in a crash near Jever, West Germany, on 17 March 1982. This photograph was taken at the old spotter's spot at Soesterberg, in April 1979.*

*(Hans Drost)*



74-1551 - (R.1209) Delivered to the unit on 14 June 1976. It carried the 'Snake' colour scheme as shown in the photograph, which was taken at Soesterberg in apr79 (note the Fokker Troopships in the background), where F-5s of the unit were regular visitors. It had been repainted in a European adaptation of the 'Sand' colour scheme by 1983 (see 56). The aircraft was placed in storage at RAF Kemble in May 1988 and was sold to the Moroccan AF as 01551, being delivered on 19 October 1989.

*(Henk de Ridder)*



74-1559 - (R.1230) Delivered to the unit on 24 June 1976, and carried the 'Old Lizard' colour scheme, as seen on this pleasing photograph, which was taken at Soesterberg on 15 November 1978. By 1983, the aircraft had been repainted in the light grey scheme (see 43), and by 1986 it had changed to a two-tone grey scheme (see 54). In July 1988 the aircraft was placed in storage at Alconbury, but was flown to RAF Kemble on 8 September 1988 for a further period of storage. The aircraft was delivered to the Tunisian AF as Y92-521 on 23 August 1989. (Dick Wels)

