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AIR FORCE SCHOOL

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The nation gets a look inside the Air Force's tough and controversial "school of survival." All these men -- prisoners and captors -- are Americans. And this is happening at ~~Head~~^{Stead} Air Force Base near Reno, Nevada, where airmen are trained to resist Communist brainwashing.

Students "captured" in the hills are questioned relentlessly by hostile-uniformed officers in a grim, brain-washing style interview:

(Live sound)

"The hole" is one of the torture devices installed at the survival school to give students a taste of Communist persuasion methods.

Students are put in solitary confinement, eight feet deep -- one of the controversial aspects of the survival school.

The cramped "sweat box" is another fixture of the camp, which has trained twenty-nine thousand airmen in Communist methods. ~~But~~ But now public criticism has raised the question: should the Air Force soften up its tough school of survival.