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TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION FOR PERSONNEL ARRIVING FROM THE U.S.

Osan Air Base Bus

US personnel (planning committee and ESPO/DC-8 Group) arriving at Incheon International airport should take the **Airport Shuttle Bus** to Osan Air Base. The bus departs from the **USO Counter** (Bus Stop #1, see *Fig. 1*.) The cost is **\$35USD, payable in cash only (exact change)**. The bus runs 7-days a week and it departs the airport at 0900, 1830, and 2230 hours (unless there are delayed arrivals). The trip to/from Osan Air Base is about 1 hour and 40 minutes (it could take up to 4 hours in bad traffic). The bus brings passengers to Osan Air Base where access authorization is verified at the gate. The bus then drops passengers off at either the **Information Tickets & Travel (ITT, Building 924) and/or at the Turumi lodge (building 772)**.

The same bus takes personnel from Osan Air Base to Incheon International Airport. It departs from **ITT (building 924)** at 0600, 1130, and 1530 hours. The bus stops at the **Turumi Lodge 30 minutes before the indicated departure times** and at ITT 15 minutes prior to departure.



Fig. 1: Incheon International Airport Bus Terminal Map.

Local Bus Transportation

Alternatively, although less preferable, there is also a local cross-country/inter-city bus service available. Tickets for this bus can be purchased at the kiosk/booth outside of **Gate 7a**, (see *Fig. 1*) on the left hand-side just outside the exit. The vehicle is a purple bus that has "**Airport Limousine**" written on its sides. Catch the one that has **Pyongtaek**, **Songtan** or **Osan AB** written on the window (it will be going in the direction to

Gyeonggi). These buses are located on the **first floor** of the Passenger Terminal, **Bus Stop 8A**. The buses depart every 30-min or every 2-hr depending on anticipated demand. The first bus departs at 0640 hours; the last bus departs at 2220 hours. The bus makes several stops on the way. **Get off at the Songtan Terminal, not the Osan terminal.** From the Songtan bus station catch a taxi –or take a walk- to Osan Air base. Most bus drivers do not accept dollars - only Korean Won and demand exact change. Ensure you have plenty of 1,000 Won notes. To exchange dollars into Won, contact the USO/Joint Force Reception Center and they will advise you of the nearest ATM machine that will convert dollars into Won. Also, there is an ATM machine between Gates 11 and 12. The fare (cash) is 13,300 Won (around \$12.14USD) and the transit time to your stop is usually 2 hours. Again, Be sure to **get off at the Songtan terminal, NOT** the Osan terminal (see Fig. 2).

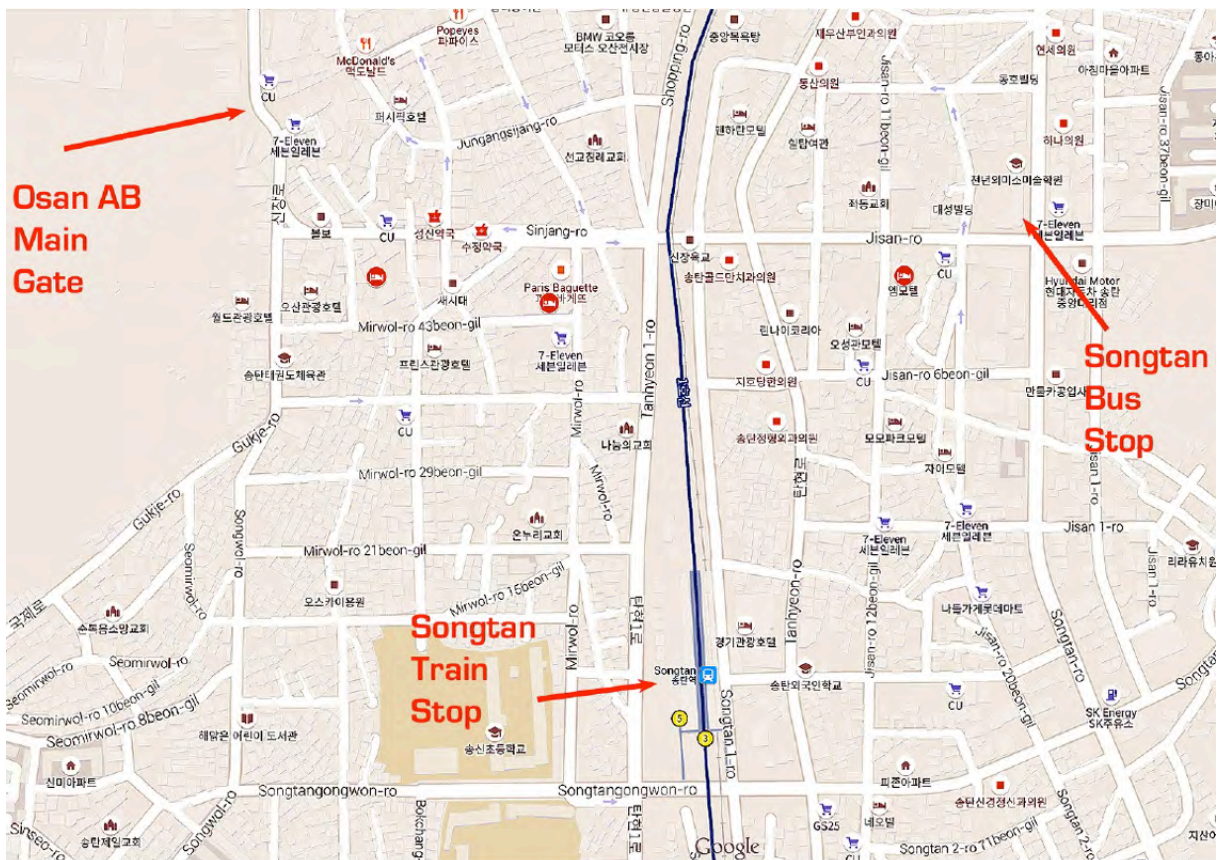


Figure 2: Location of Osan AB Main gate, bus and train stations.

Metro Transportation

Another method of transportation is the Seoul Metro (see *Fig. 3*). The cost of the fare is 4,450 Won, and the transit time is 144 min.

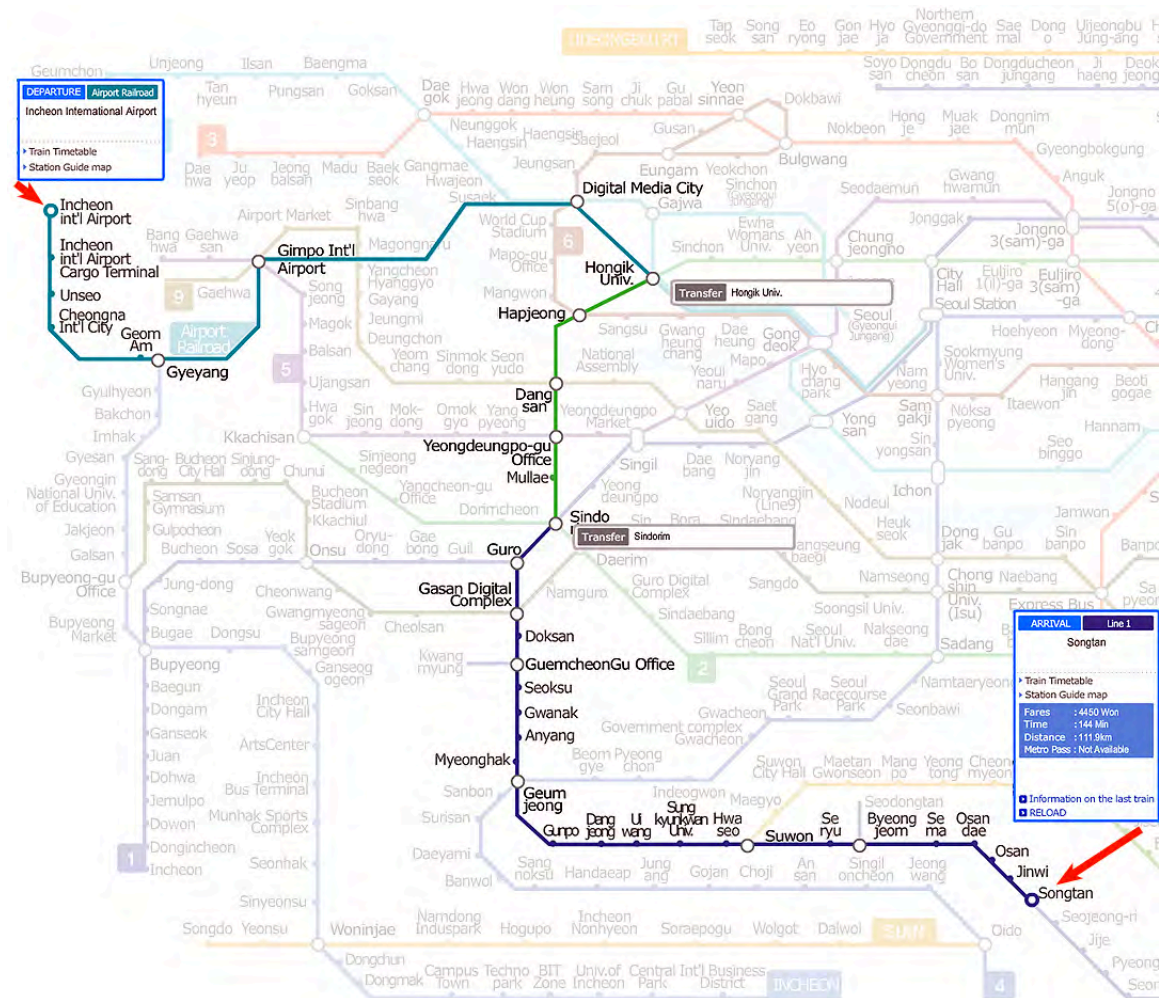


Figure 3: Metro route from Incheon Intl. Airport to Songtan (near Osan Air Base)

Directions:

- From the Incheon International Airport take the **Airport Railroad line** to **Hongik University** station.
- Transfer to the **Green line (Line 2)** and get off at the **Sindorim** station.
- Transfer to the **Blue line (Line 1)** and get off at the **Songtan** station.
- Take a taxi or walk to Osan Air Base (about half a mile away) or to your hotel.

You can check the real time Metro information and plan your route at the following website: <http://dmzap1.seoulmetro.co.kr/station/eng/linemap.action> Also, there are a couple of **apps** for the iPhone or Android operating system that you may try: **Explore Seoul Subway** and **Subway Korea**.

Taxi Transportation

The use of taxis from the Incheon International Airport to Osan Air Base is **highly discouraged**, they tend to overcharge and you will be paying anywhere from \$150USD to \$300USD.

LODGING INFORMATION FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

US Personnel

The ESPO and DC-8 groups will stay on base at the Turumi Lodge. Members of the US planning committee will stay off-base at either the World or the Osan hotel (see *Fig. 4*). Room block reservations have been made only for the US personnel -whether staying on or off-base. Contact ESPO for reservation details.

- Turumi Lodge (building772), Osan Air Base +82 31-661-1844
- Osan Hotel +82 31 664-8960 osanhotel01@naver.com
- World Hotel +82 31 667-5300 worldhotel21@naver.com

Korean Nationals

Korean nationals should make their own reservations to preferably stay at one of the same hotels as the US Planning group:

- Osan Hotel +82 31 664-8960 osanhotel01@naver.com
- World Hotel +82 31 667-5300 worldhotel21@naver.com

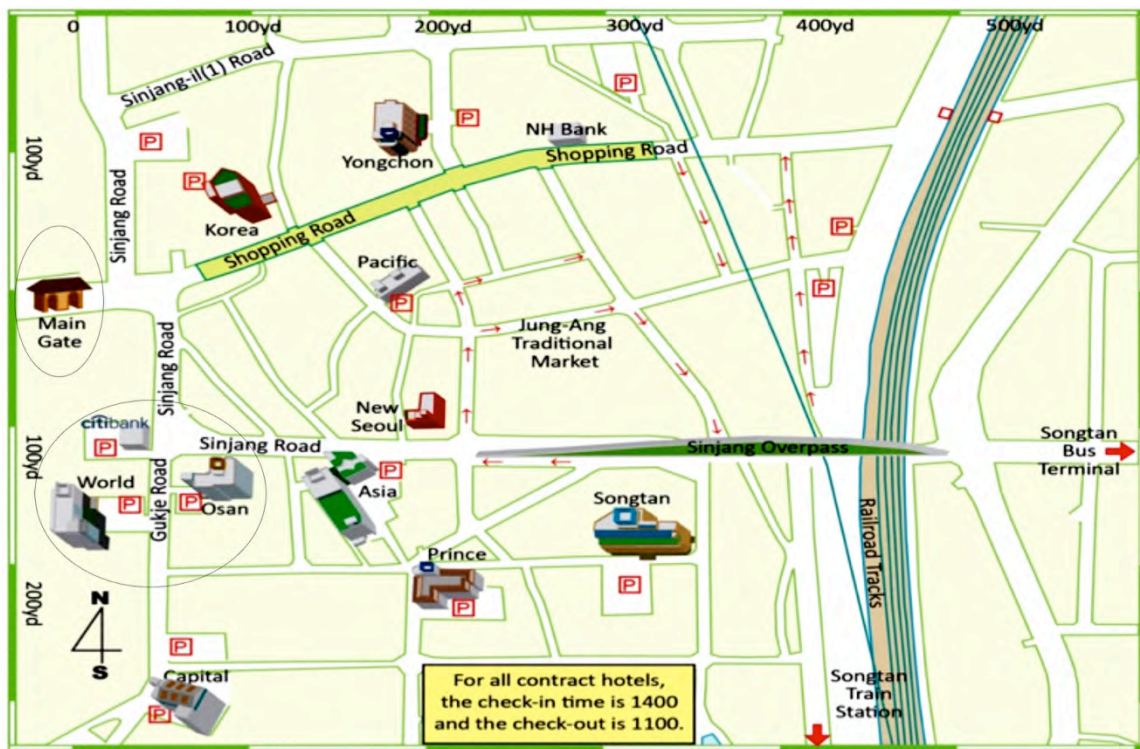


Figure 4: Location of the World and Osan Hotel.

BASE ACCESS

The names, for both Korean and US personnel, are on the base's authorized entry list. US personnel arriving to Osan during the weekend will be given a temporary pass. On Monday morning -or the next business day- a weekly pass (USFK Form 37EK) will be obtained at the entrance gate for both KN and US. At this time, we don't have to authorization to allow Korean Nationals on base during weekends, holidays, or after hours.

AGENDA

Monday, June 22nd: US personnel without a pass and interested Korean Nationals participating in the logistic meeting with the 51 Force Service Support group will meet at the Main Gate at 0800 hours. Badged US personnel will meet at the Turumi lodge at 0900 hours. A passenger van will transport personnel from the Main gate to the Turumi lodge, collect the rest of the passengers and head to the Conference Room at the Base Ops (B870) building for the meeting with the base support personnel.

Tuesday, June 23rd: Schedule and agenda depend on outcome of meeting the previous day.

Wednesday, June 24th: No on base meetings planned.

Thursday, June 25th

- 1300 - Off base personnel meet at the Main gate entrance.
- 1300 – 1400 Base access paperwork
- 1400 – 1415 Bus transits from main gate to Community Center, **building 916**
- 1415 – 1645 Science/planning session I
- 1645 – 1700 Wrap up, load bus, bus transits to Main gate

Friday, June 26

- 0900 - Off base personnel meet at the Main gate entrance.
- 0900 – 0915 Load buses
- 0915 – 0930 Bus transits from main gate to Community Center, **building 916**
- 0930 – 1645 Science/planning session II
- 1645 – 1700 Wrap up, load bus, bus transits to Main gate

Osan Air Base Map

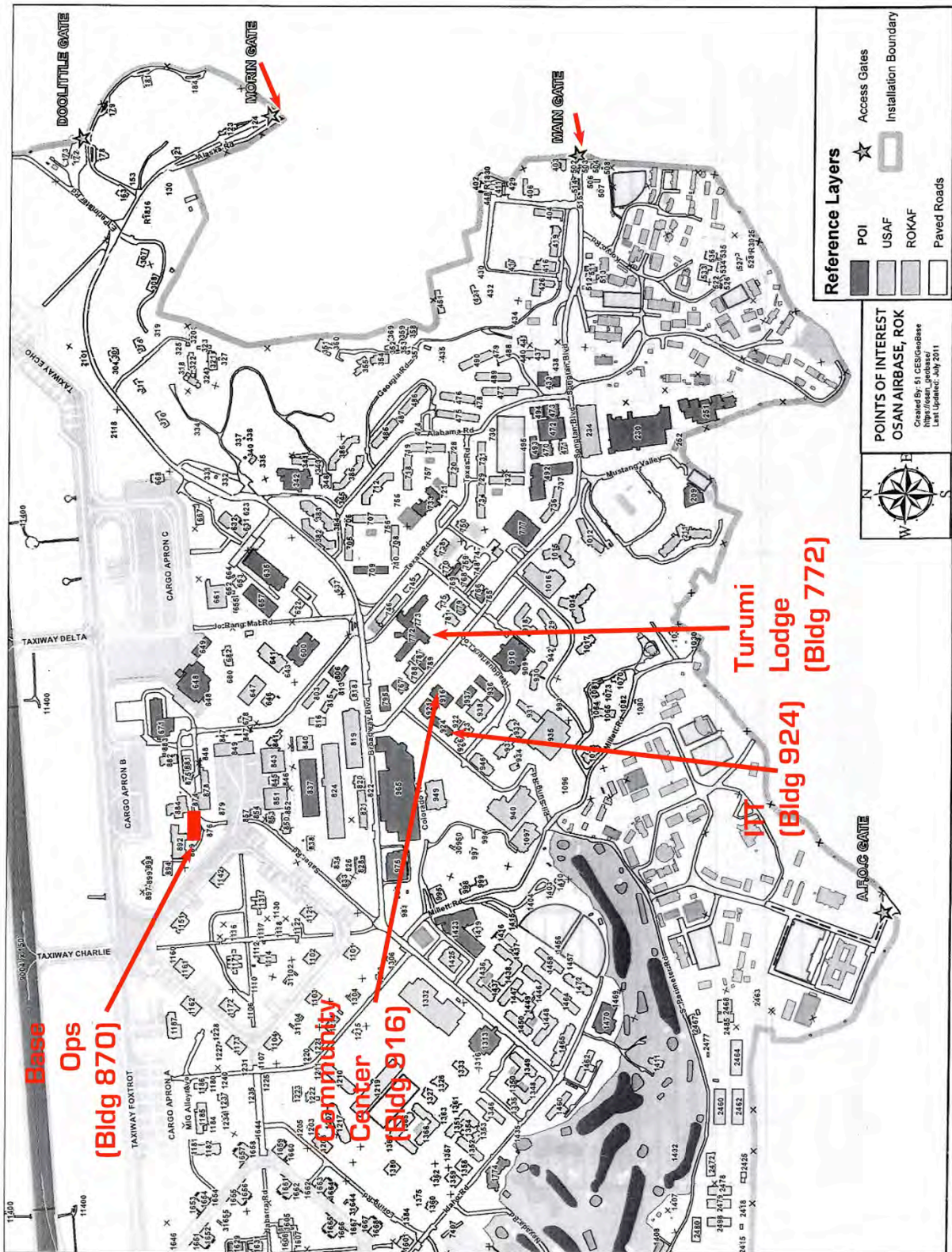


Figure 5. Buildings associated with this visit.

Further Questions?

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