

# **154<sup>th</sup> MISSION SUPPORT FLIGHT**

## **LINEAGE**

Oct. 31, 1994

## **STATIONS**

Hickam AFB, HI

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

LTC Randall Tom

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

We continue to strive for professionalism, mission essential training and providing quality services whenever called upon. The 154th Mission Support Flight emerged from the 154th Mission Support Squadron on 31 October 1994. The commander at the time was Lt. Col. Gervin Miyamoto. On 4 December the same year he handed the command reins to Major Susan Higgins, Director of Personnel since 1990. The flight included the Consolidated Base Personnel Office now called the Military Personnel Flight, and the old Base Administration section now known as Information Management. Just as the names and functional alignments changed, so did the people.

The reorganization did not slow down the ops tempo any. Wartime responsibilities for personnel moved to the forefront. Two members of the unit had visited Alaska in 1992 to see the Personnel Contingency Operations Team in action and returned to build our own PERSCO Team. Two members of the team deployed with PACAF to support Team Spirit in 1994. Two years later the whole team were involved in a worldwide test of the wartime operating systems known as CLEAR LIGHT. They performed extremely well: the PERSCO Team was on its way.

In November 1995 the Flight deployed as a unit to Bellows Air Force Station to try out their combat skills. They planned and organized the whole event that involved setting up and breaking down their own campsite. For two days members of the unit practiced their chemical warfare defense skills; they ate in field conditions (food prepared by services personnel in their new mobile kitchen) and accomplished several of their annual ancillary training requirements, including their PT run. They even joined forces with the marines who provided briefings on their artillery equipment and then took several members for a ride along the beach in their HumVees.

The following year members of the Military Personnel Flight participated with the Phoenix unit in a two week test of their capabilities. In chemical warfare gear they set up and operated their Combat Personnel Computer System to provide personnel accounting and information to commanders deployed to any area of operation. They handled emergency situations, casualty reporting and unique requests for information. As they read reports of the devastating bombing of the barracks in Dhahran in June 1996 they knew that they too were capable of performing the tasks required of the PERSCO Team there.

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