

# **818<sup>th</sup> MOBILITY SUPPORT ADVISORY SQUADRON**

Pacific Electronic Security Division Hickam AFB, Hawaii 1 Oct '86-30 Sept '91

## **LINEAGE**

## **STATIONS**

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

General Martin directed a reorganization of the command in 1986, creating an electronic security division within each geographic operating area.

On 1 October 1986, the following ESC units were redesignated as ESC Divisions: Headquarters Electronic Security Europe (ESE), Ramstein AB, Germany, was redesignated HQ European Electronic Security Division (EESD); Headquarters Electronic Security Pacific (ESP), Hickam AFB, Hawaii, was redesignated HQ Pacific Electronic Security Division (PESD); Headquarters 6960th Electronic Security Wing (ESW), Kelly AFB, Texas, was redesignated HQ Continental Electronic Security Division (CESD); also effective 1 October 1986 was activation of HQ Space Electronic Security Division (SESD) at Peterson AFB, Colorado.

On 1 October 1986, several ESC units were redesignated or activated as ESC Divisions: Headquarters Electronic Security Pacific (ESP), Hickam AFB, Hawaii, redesignated HQ Pacific Electronic Security Division (PESD).

### *Pacific Electronic Security Division*

*Responsibility encompasses the Pacific basin and Alaska.*

*Pacific Electronic Security Division is Electronic Security Command's intermediate headquarters for the Pacific and Alaskan theaters.*

*ESC's first headquarters in Hawaii was the Pacific Security Region activated in 1962 at Wheeler AFB. In 1977 the region moved to Hickam AFB, and was designated Electronic Security Pacific. In 1986 it was redesignated Pacific Electronic Security Division. PESO assumed responsibility for the day-to-day operations of Alaskan-based units May 1, 1988.*

*PESD's area of responsibility encompasses the Pacific basin and Alaska with more than 3,000 personnel who operate four groups, three squadrons, two detachments and several operating locations. Everyone assigned enjoys the challenge of working every aspect of ESC's traditional mission, as well as the newer roles of electronic combat and communications/computer security. The organizations that make up PESO are scattered from Hawaii to Alaska to the Philippines and have an immense diversity of programs and projects.*

*Although PESD's formal structure is based on a functional alignment of duties, the small staff demands that members stay up-to-date on all activities.*

### *Entrance to Headquarters Pacific Air Forces.*

*PESO is located in newly renovated space within Headquarters Pacific Air Forces. The famous Hickam AFB building still bears the scars of the Pearl Harbor raid of Dec. 7, 1941.*

*The PESO staff and cryptologic support group work side-by-side with PACAF action officers and provides expertise and assistance to the commanders-in-chief of Pacific Command and Alaskan Air Command.*

*Involved in many exercises, PESO supports two highly visible ones, Team Spirit in South Korea and Cope*

*Thunder in the Philippines. The annual Team Spirit exercise provides an opportunity to integrate the full spectrum of electronic combat alternatives and tactical operations into existing command and control structures. At each Cope Thunder, PESO assists PACAF in training all its aircrews in an electronic combat area.*

*A warm tropical climate with continuous trade winds and the Polynesian beauty of the Hawaiian Islands combine to make PESO an assignment to covet, enjoy and remember.*

*Col. Robert S. Andress, Commander*

## Sources