

HISTORY

of the

244th COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON

unit designation

PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, PTLD, OR

location

for the period

1 JANUARY 1983

through

31 MARCH 1983

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I.

REQUIRED DATA

1. UNIT AND LOCATION

244th Combat Comm Sq (Contg)
Portland Intl Arpt, Portland, OR
97218

2. NAME AND GRADE OF COMMANDER

GENE A. KATKE, Lt Col, ORANG

3. CHAIN OF COMMAND (See ANGR 210-1, Attachment 1)

NGB

AIR FORCE

AG STATE OF OREGON

AFCC

244 COMBAT COMM SQ

TACD

252ND CMBT COMM GP

244TH CMBT COMM SQ

4. SUBORDINATE UNITS (See ANGR 210-1, Attachment 1)

244TH COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (ADMIN SUPPORT ONLY)

5. MISSION (Give authority and brief statement of primary mission)

244th Combat Communications Squadron (Contg) NGB Ltr dtd 26 March 1976 Peacetime Mission: Organize, train, man & equip to attain & maintain optimum effective capability to carry out roles & tasks assigned by gaining command plans for utilization in the event of national emergency. State Peacetime Mission: To provide organized & trained personnel for preservation of life and property, & maintenance of order & public safety whenever required & so directed. Mobilization: To provide those organized & trained communications elements for the purpose of conducting operations support.

6. PERSONNEL

	OFFICERS	AIRMEN	TECHNICIANS		CIVILIANS	
			CIV SUS	MIL, T-32	FEDERAL	STATE
AUTHORIZED	8	196	15	2		
ASSIGNED	8	181	15	2		

7. EQUIPMENT (Give official nomenclature and quantity of mission-type equipment)

1-TYC 8 DSTE
1-TTC 22 Switchboard
1-TGC 20 Comm Center
1-MSD 22B Tech Control
1-Unit Command Post
38-Power Units
64-Motorized Vehicles
1-TSC 15 HF Comm Central
1-TSC 60V2 HF Comm Central
2-TRC 97D Radio Set (Wideband)
5-TRC 36 Radio Set (UHF/VHF Wideband)
3-TRC 61 Radio Set (UHF/VHF Wideband Terminal)
5-FRC 153 Radio Set (HF Command & Control)
47-Trailers

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NARRATIVE

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OPERATIONS & TRAINING: During this quarter the squadron conducted Precision Training for two weeks. Nineteen individuals were picked to participate in training aimed at upgrading them to the 5 skill level. These individuals received intensive upgrade training by means of On-The-Training. Results were the upgrading of 13 people to the 5 level in their AFSC. This training was conducted to improve UNITREP. Preparations were being made for the Squadron's participation in the up-coming NATO JCS Exercise of DISTANT DRUM and FLINTLOCK. One person was sent to Vaihingen, Germany augmenting HQs SOTFE staff planning, preparing for the NATO JCS Exercises. Another person was sent to Lindsey AS, Germany as Team Chief for ANG CADRE for the NATO Exercises.

Equipment performance is Satisfactory.

Building facelift is in the planning stages.

Manpower level is low due to separations of non-attenders.

Funds for the unit remain Satisfactory for meeting mission requirements, Special Training, Air Technician Travel and Per Diem.

OTHER SUBJECTS: The unit received the Tributary of the Year Award 1982. The second one for the unit. The unit received the award in 1981 also.

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As a part of an operations & training exercise the unit conducted a Practice ORI during the April UTA. The practice ORI was conducted to evaluate the readiness capabilities of the unit. The results were enlightening and pointed out the week areas requiring addition training. On 11 April, 8 people departed for West Raynham, United Kingdom to participate in the NATO Exercise, FLINTLOCK. On 4 May the unit deployed personnel to Nea Makri, Greece, Torrejon, Spain, Gioia Del Colle, Italy, Eskishir, Turkey and Incerlik, Turkey, to participate in the NATO JCS Exercise DISTANT DRUM. On 12 June, 3 people and selected equipment went to March AFB, CA to participate in the GLOBAL SHIELD Exercise.

Equipment performance was Satisfactory.

A facility change was initiated during the month of April and completed in June, the mobility equipment was moved to a new building to consolidate WRSK and warehouse supplies. The move to a new warehouse will greatly enhance our mobility capability.

Manning levels remain constant.

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Other subjects was the addition of a Disaster Preparedness NCO. Our Disaster Preparedness program will get a big lift from this addition.

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