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of the

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The January 7-8 UTA was utilized to practice our Telecommunications capabilities. Satcom systems were operated continuously during the exercise. Radio operations personnel operated the command and control net, HJJ16. Comm Operations personnel provided data communications to the 272CBCS using UGC-144's. Switchboard Operations provided telephone service to the 272CBCS via TSSR's and RMC's when frequencies were available, otherwise TRC-170's were used. Switchboard Operations were also provided connectivity to the 256CBCS, 105ATCS, and 242CBCS over SATCOM. The main emphasis was on operator training and on handling and managing telecommunications assets. This UTA was designated an extended operational UTA.

The February 11-12 UTA was utilized mainly for training. Some of the tasks accomplished were: Section Safety training, Teams and Tools training, Electronic Combat training, and Social Actions training.

The March 11-12 UTA was utilized for section training, review of goals, and unit objectives.

The April 1-2 UTA was a "modified" Commander's Option UTA. This was to have been a 36 hour communications exercise with other units of the 252CCGP. Unfortunately, the communications exercise scenario designed with the State of Washington doesn't permit this unit to accomplish its training goals for this UTA. Therefore this is a modified Commander's Option UTA. Our goals are to sustain the highest possible levels of unit training and readiness to meet wartime and peacetime operations, logistics, and personnel standards. Also to maintain a high level of preparedness to respond to the needs of Community, State, and Federal disaster response/relief agencies with equipment and trained personnel. More goals include: To achieve completion of 100% upgrade training and to Plan and integrate 100% of new equipment training into affected workcenters by the end of 1995.

The May 20-21 UTA focused on section training and refresher courses for CWDT and COMSEC.

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June 17-25 was our #1 - 1995 AFT "Operation Hammer Eagle 95-06" The 244th has been tasked to support the 252CCGP in conducting an operational readiness exercise (ORE) during the period of 17-25 JUN 1995. Through message traffic and other inputs, situations were created for participating units to practice exercises involving: Recall, Mobility, Command and Control, Reporting, Employment, Force Integration, Logistics, and ATSO's. This ORE is designed to test the capability of the 244CBCS to professionally and correctly react to the following measured and graded areas:

- (1.) Initial Response
- (2.) Mission Support
- (3.) Ability to Survive and Operate

The Initial Response phase includes configuring equipment for air mobility, processing equipment and personnel through the host base, reconfiguring for road mobility, convoy procedures to Bastille, Citadel (Camp Bonneville), and regeneration. After all communication equipment is operational per the Ori Criteria the UTC's receive a Pass/Fail Grade. The Mission Support phase includes the ability to monitor and control the actions, personnel, and resource to effectively provide all tasked communications capabilities to the user, operations will be evaluated on their ability to establish reliable communications circuits and function will be evaluated on its ability to support the units mission during wartime scenarios. The Ability to Survive and Operate phase will evaluate the units capability to survive and operate during all phases of combat operations.

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The 12-13 August UTA was a Commander's Option. Sections Conducted training in preparations for AT #2, 9-17 Sept. Tasks that were to be accomplished this UTA included: Transportation: New personnel drivers training, Site Security and Entry Control Point procedures training, provided by SP. Shots and Physicals were completed by all required personnel. The safety office performed Semi-Annual Inspection of HF, Wire, and WB. WB section performed Mask Inspections. QA conducted Activity Inspection of Wire Maintenance. After Actions Reports from the June AFT as well as any personal notes were reviewed to help eliminate or reduce the problems which were identified.

*****AFT-#2****

Sept 9-17 was our #2 - 1995 AFT "Operation Hammer Eagle 95-09" The 244th has been tasked to support the 252CCGP in conducting an operational readiness exercise (ORE) during the period of 9-17 SEP 1995. The 244CBCS provided the manpower and facilities to provide necessary communications resources to the 8244 TFW Commander along with the manpower and facilities to augment the 8244 Exercise Support Team. The Mission Support phase includes the ability to monitor and control the actions, personnel, and resources to effectively provide all tasked communications capabilities to the user. Operations will be evaluated on their ability to establish reliable communications circuits and telephone service and to ensure proper customer service.

The October 21-22 UTA was used for Section Training.

The November 18-19 UTA was a Commanders type Option UTA. This UTA was utilized for section Training.

The December UTA was utilized to accomplish tasks and training. The Annual Squadron Christmas Party was held Saturday night, 2 Dec 95, at HEIDI's in Gresham. It was one of our best Christmas Parties yet! This concludes the 244th Combat Communications Squadron 1995 year in Review.

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