

UTA/AFT ACTIVITIES

DATES TYPE UTA

12-13 JAN: CC Option
09-10 FEB: CC Option
09-10 MAR: Section Training
13-14 APR: 36 Hour
04-05 MAY: CC Option
08-09 JUN: MOBEX
10-21 JUN: AFT
22-23 JUN: AFT (ug UTA)
13-14 JUL: CC Option
14-15 SEP: Section Training
19-20 OCT: 36 Hour
16-17 NOV: Ancillary Training
07-08 DEC: Ancillary Training

IMPORTANT PHONE

NUMBERS

Commander
335-4108
First Sergeant
335-4112 (UTA Only)
Orderly Room
335-4244/4114
Training
335-4115
Unit FAX Machine
335-5134
Family Program POC
Beth Harris: 503-646-7776

Remember...your referral is an important source of new members.
all the recruiting office at **335-4040**

UTA HOURS OF DUTY: 0730 - 1630
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED



2002



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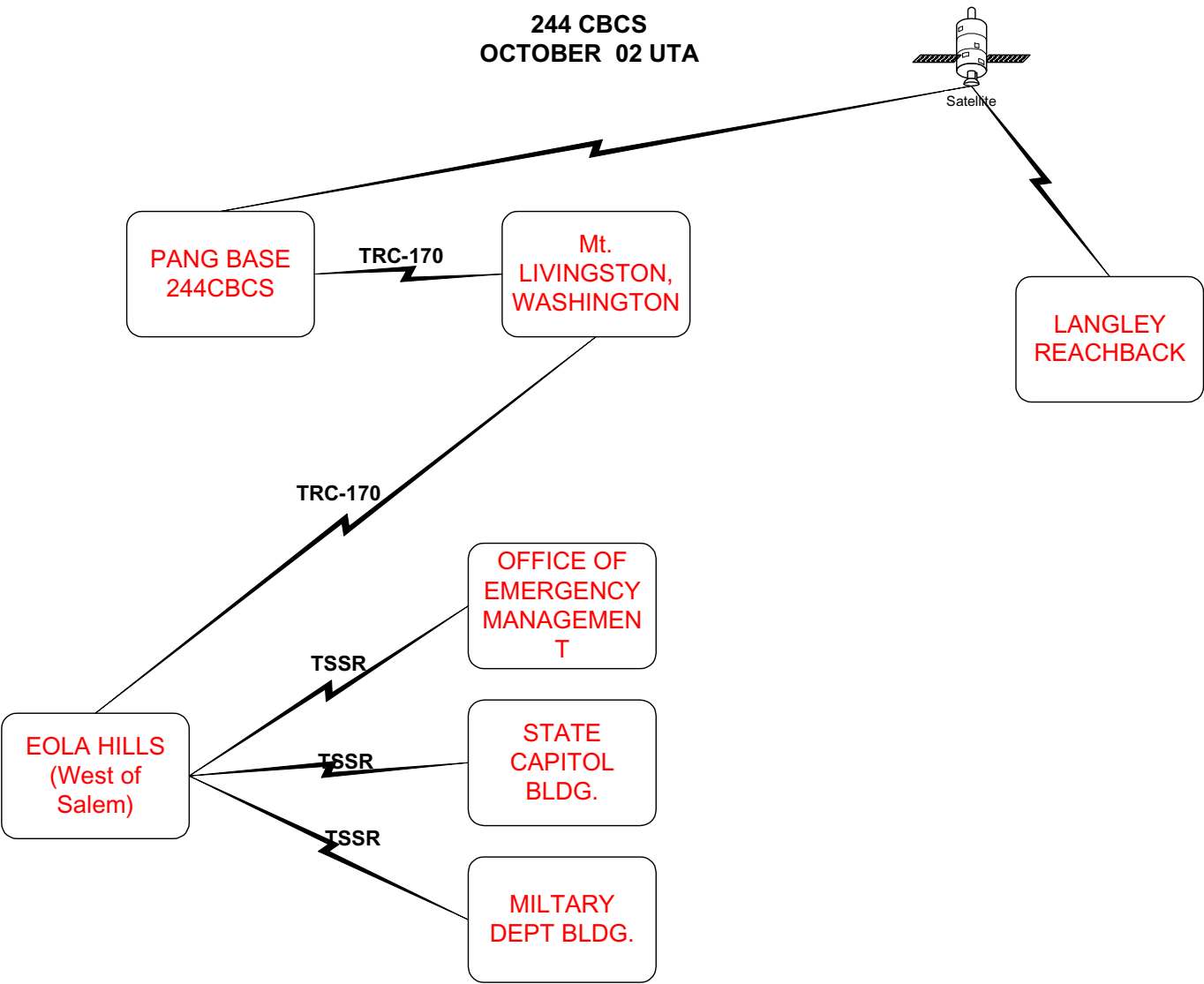
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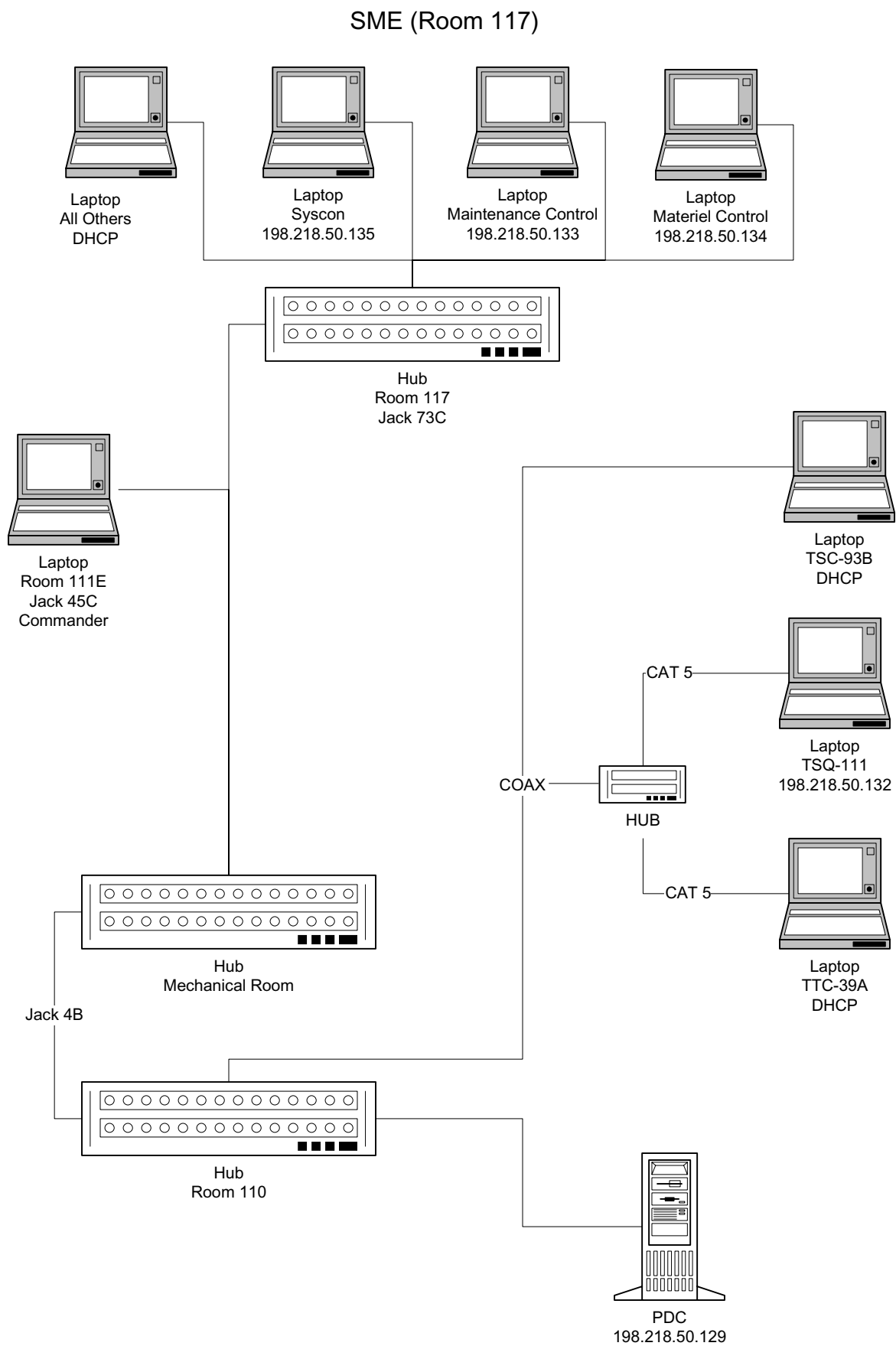
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ATTACHMENT 1
Composite Network Drawing

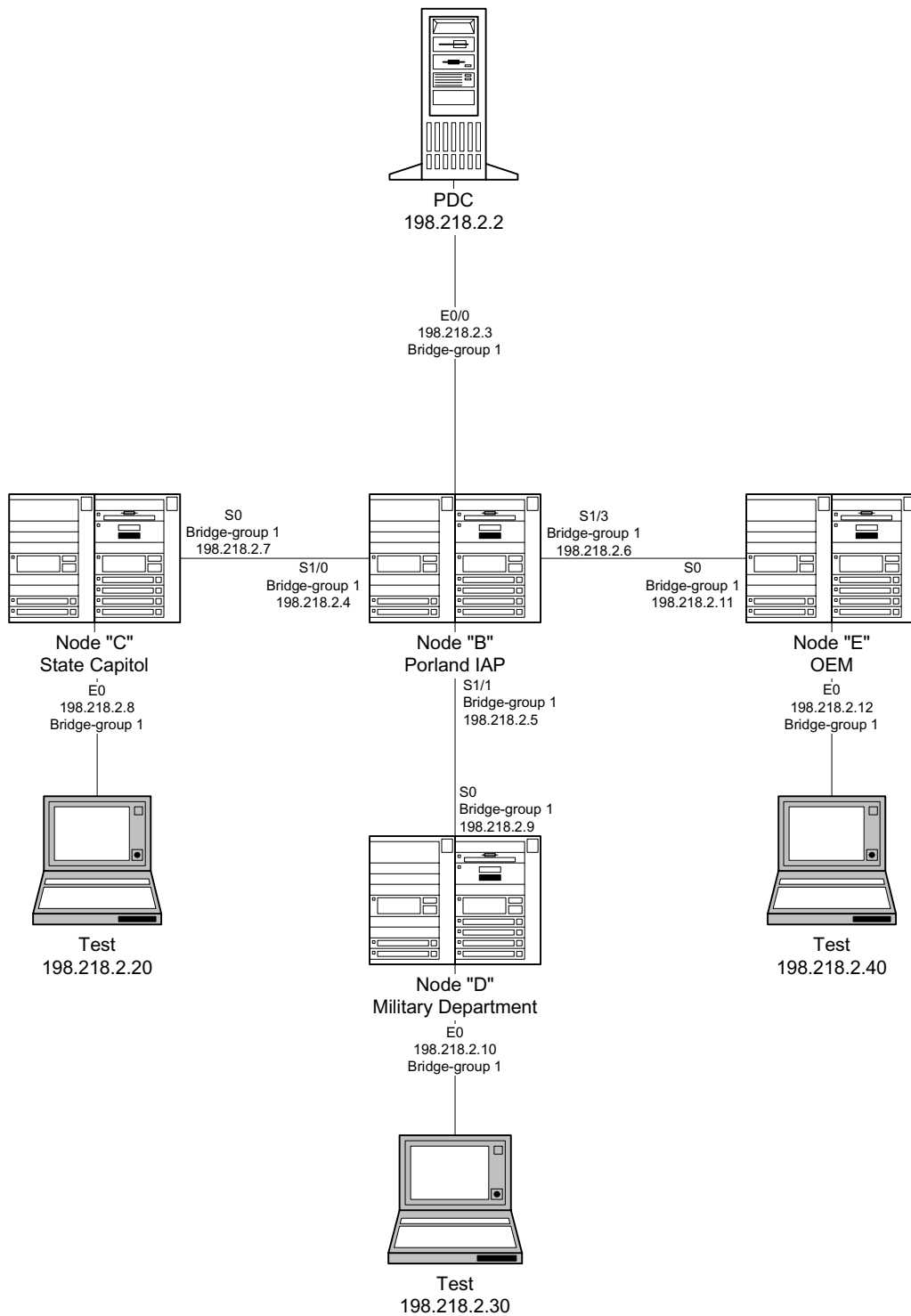


Deployed Local Area Network System Drawing



EMERGENCY OPERATIONS NETWORK

All Subnet Masks are
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AEF

244 CBCS makes history in air expeditionary force support

By Capt. GLENN HORACEK

244 CBCS DETACHMENT COMMANDER

In January 2002, Lt. Col. Peter Harris, the commander of the 244 Combat Communications Squadron (CBCS), was informed that the air combat command had rejected the air expeditionary force (AEF) concept of Air National Guardsmen filling voluntary 15-day rotations. Replacing these short stints would be 120-day rotations.

To meet this tasking, the 244th started the process of mobilizing 29 members to deploy to Southwest Asia.

This was a historic event for the unit because it was the first involuntary mobilization in the squadron's 47-year history.

Immediately, work began in identifying the best-qualified personnel for each of the positions to be filled.

With the combined effort of the full-time technician staff and traditional Guardsmen, a very skilled, professional team was formed that would represent the 244 CBCS and Oregon Air National Guard.

When the announcement was made regarding the positions to be filled, unit members responded enthusiastically in support of the mission.

Though well qualified in their AFSCs, the next task was to identify any special skills required to fill each position and to set up the necessary just-in-time training.

To accomplish this task, the effort of every member of the unit was required and the results were outstanding.

Even those members not scheduled to deploy worked long hours to prepare their teammates for the upcoming mission.

In February, the first group of individuals left for Al Jaber, Kuwait.

Due to security concerns brought about by Sept. 11, the team had a very

early report time to the squadron.

Though tired, the team was excited to be deploying.

With some nervousness and sadness due to leaving families and friends, the team members said their goodbyes.

Many of the 244th members who were not deploying were on hand to wish their departing fellow Guardsmen and women good luck and a safe journey.

All too soon, the deploying members were boarding the plane and heading to Kuwait.

Immediately upon their arrival, they hit the ground running.

Some of the team members were lucky and had a few hours of rest after in-processing.

Afterwards, they were meeting with the people they would be replacing.

Within two weeks, additional members of the 244th were tasked to fill slots at Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia, where a similar operations tempo existed.

Expecting to work on equipment and issues outside their expertise, everyone attacked the various duties and assignments they were given.

Wideband and satellite communications personnel found themselves laying cable and setting up the global broadcasting system on base.

They also set up the cable TV system, enhancing the morale of the troops.

Senior Airman Kelsey was given the



Contributed photo

Twenty-nine members of the 244th Combat Communications Squadron deployed to Southwest Asia. This was the first involuntary mobilization.

task of handling the base post office.

This turned out to be the central post office for all the bases in Kuwait.

He ended up traveling over 1,200 miles and making 180 trips delivering mail throughout the area.

From a morale standpoint, his was the most important job on base.

Other 244th members were tasked to support forward deployed positions in Afghanistan.

They found themselves in true "bare base" environments, supporting the communication needs of combat troops. On numerous occasions, only two or three men teams filled these tasks.

Reports received from the theater informed us that the Guardsmen were doing yeoman's work and the commanders in these areas were extremely impressed with the abilities of Oregon's airmen.

Due to the need to support these for-

ward deployments, additional communications were needed in the field.

Within 48 hours, four additional squadron members stepped forward to deploy to the desert.

These members were in-country within five days supporting their teammates.

In early June, the team members began returning from Al Jaber, Kuwait and Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudia Arabia.

Additional members continued to return weekly thereafter.

Due to mission needs, two team members were asked to extend for an additional three weeks at Al Jaber.

This was not a unique situation, for the command at Al Jaber was very impressed with the work accomplished by each member of the 244th team and every Guardsman and woman who supported the AEF mission.

The challenges and experiences these Guardsmen and women faced further matured this already professional team.

Information acquired from this deployment will be integrated into the unit's training program to help assure future deployments are as successful.

Any questions or doubts that existed whether or not this team would be successful in support of this mission were quickly put to rest when praise of their accomplishments began pouring in.

There is no doubt that the Guard is an integral part of the total force at home and abroad.