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HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 164th AVIATION GROUP

HERALDIC ITEMS

DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA (BADGE)

Description: A gold distinctive insignia consisting of a gold equilateral triangle containing two concentric red triangles and surmounted by a silver swooping hawk with wings displayed all in front of a blue disc enclosed by a tri-folded scroll inscribed in blue letters, "Here Am I—Send Me."

Symbolism: The triangular shape symbolizes the Mekong delta where the 164th Aviation Group was activated and where it conducted its operations. The concentric triangles refer to the unit's growth in its primary mission, to give support. Red and yellow are the colors used by the Republic of Vietnam, while the swooping silver hawk refers to the combat airpower of the unit. The color blue is used by aviation units; it also alludes to the ultimate goal of peaceful blue skies.

FLAG DEVICE

None approved.

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(inactive)

Constituted 20 December 1967 in the Regular Army as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 164th Aviation Group, and activated in Vietnam. Inactivated 14 March 1973 at Oakland, California.

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

Vietnam

Counteroffensive, Phase II
Tet Counteroffensive
Counteroffensive, Phase IV
Counteroffensive, Phase V
Counteroffensive, Phase VI
Tet 69/Counteroffensive

Summer—Fall 1969
Winter—Spring 1970
Sanctuary Counteroffensive
Counteroffensive, Phase VII
Consolidation I
Consolidation II

DECORATIONS

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1967-1968 (164th Aviation Group cited; DA GO 21, 1969)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1969-1970 (Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 164th Aviation Group, cited; DA GO 6, 1974 and DA GO 52, 1971)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1970-1972 (Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 164th Aviation Group, cited; DA GO 6, 1974)

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