

OMACH 421.2 & 421.1  
961st Engr Bn, AR

19 March 1958

SUBJECT: Cost of Arms and Distinctive Unit Insignia for 961st Engineer  
Battalion, Army Reserve

THRU: Commanding General  
Fifth United States Army  
1660 East Hyde Park Boulevard  
Chicago 15, Illinois

TO: Commanding Officer  
961st Engineer Battalion  
2372 South Logan Avenue  
Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin

1. The cost of arms for the 961st Engineer Battalion, Army Reserve, is approved. The blazonry and description are as follows:

BLAZONRY

- SHIELD: Gules, accosting and issuing from a pale argent bearing in fess a New Guinea stone war club of the field two simplified Philippine dead-suns of the second.
- CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Army Reserve: On a wreath of the colors (argent and gules) the Lexington Minute Man proper. The statue of the Minute Man, Captain John Parker (M. H. Kitson, sculptor) stands on the common in Lexington, Massachusetts.
- MOTTO: "Construire et Combattre" (They Build and They Fight)

DESCRIPTION

The colors scarlet and white are for Engineers. The vertical band, representing a landing strip, symbolizes the functions of aviation engineers performed by the unit during World War II. The strip is flanked by two demi-suns to represent the unit's two Philippine campaigns. The stone war club head, a weapon used in New Guinea, stands for service in that area.

OPACH 424.2 & 421.4

961st Engr Bn, AR

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Unit Insignia for 961st Engineer  
Battalion, Army Reserve


2. The distinctive insignia for the 961st Engineer Battalion, Army Reserve, is approved. The distinctive insignia consists of the shield and motto of the coat of arms for this organization, which is described in paragraph 1.

TO BE WORN: As prescribed by current regulations.

3. The approved painting for use in the manufacture of the distinctive insignia will be forwarded on or about 18 April 1958.

4. This approval is in accordance with the "Official Statement of Lineage and Battle Honors" dated 25 September 1957.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

  
JOHN S. HOELLETT, JR.  
Major, GSC  
Chief, Heraldic Services Division

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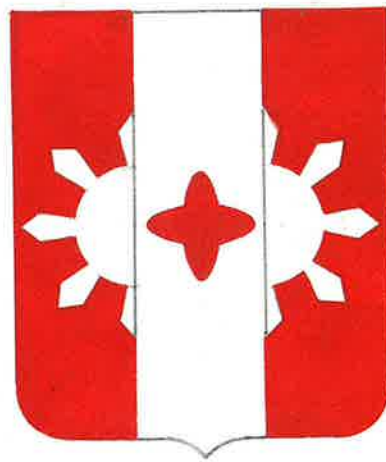
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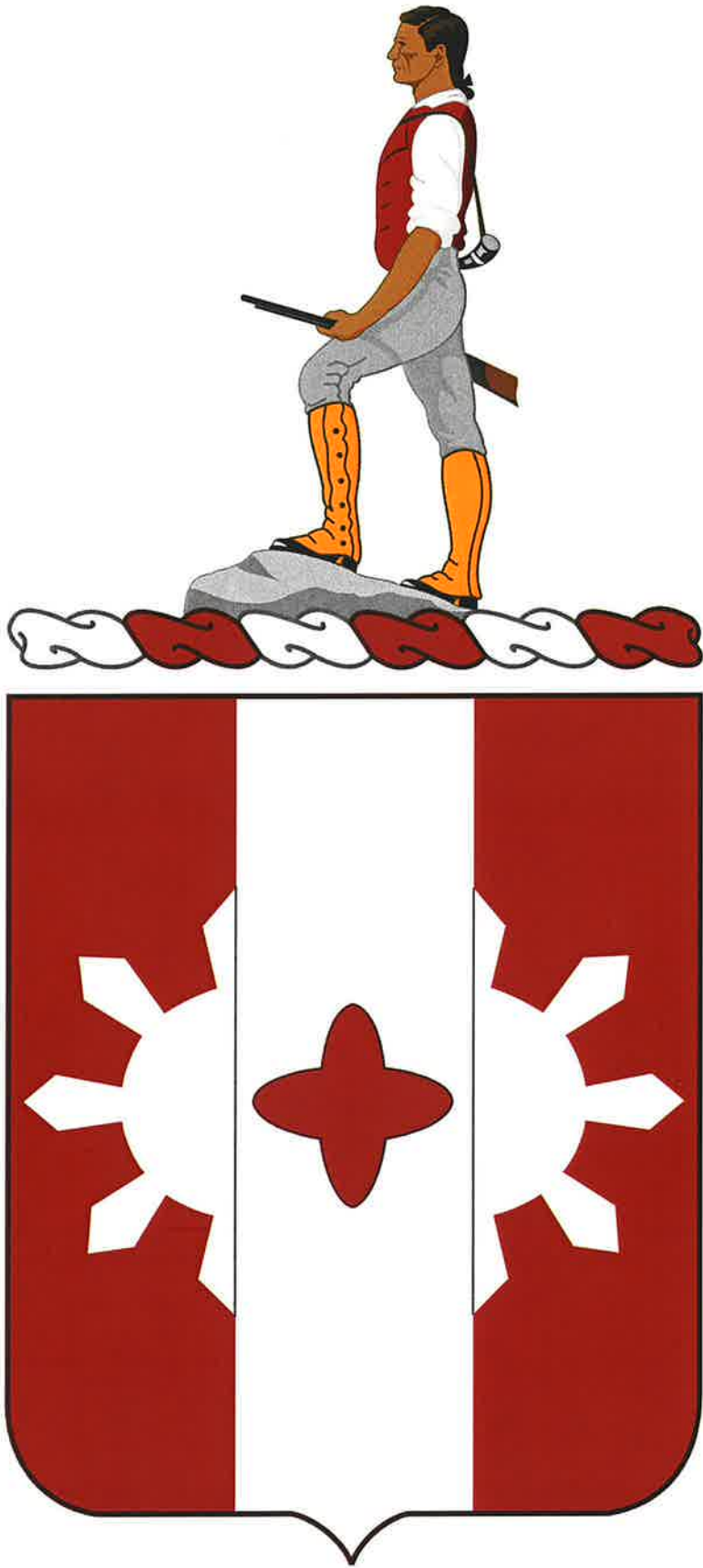
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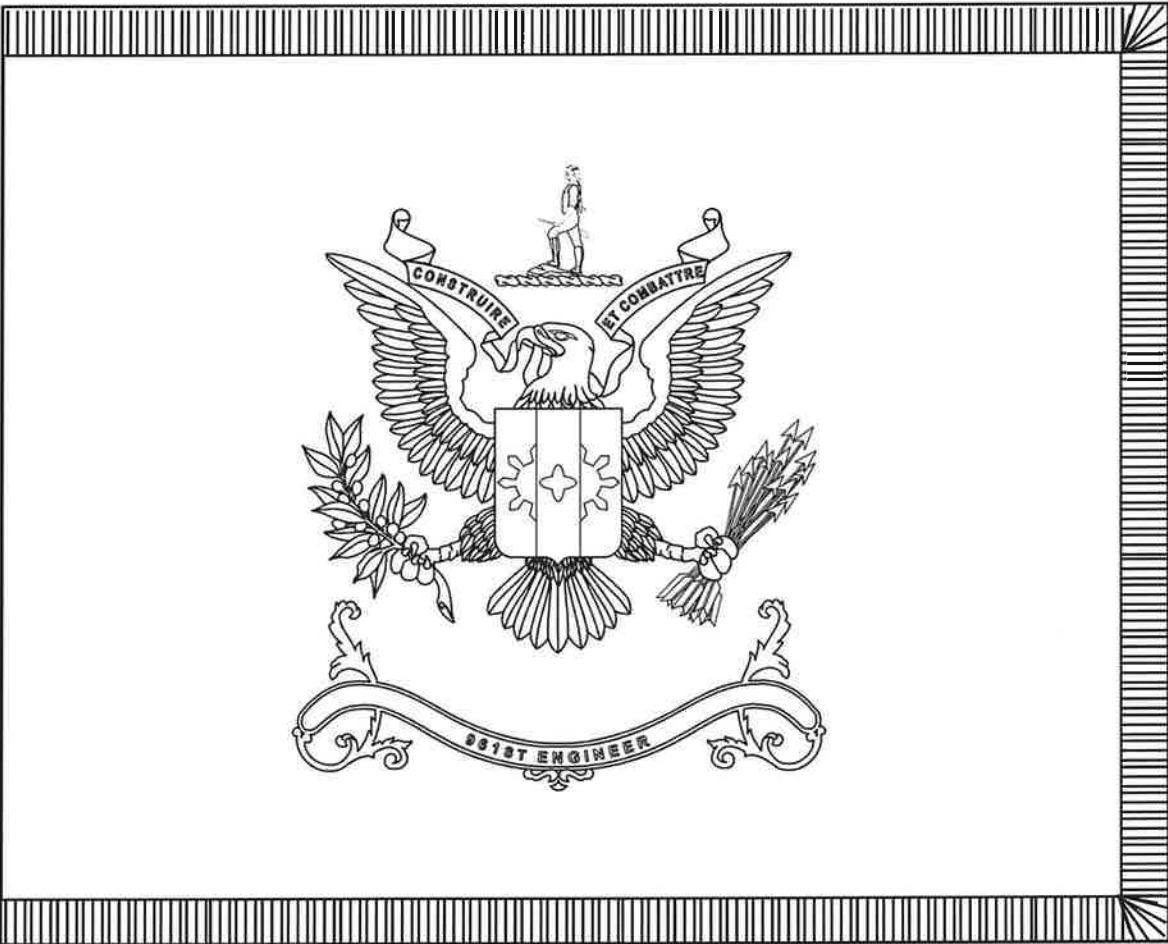
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**COAT OF ARMS  
961ST ENGINEER BATTALION  
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE**

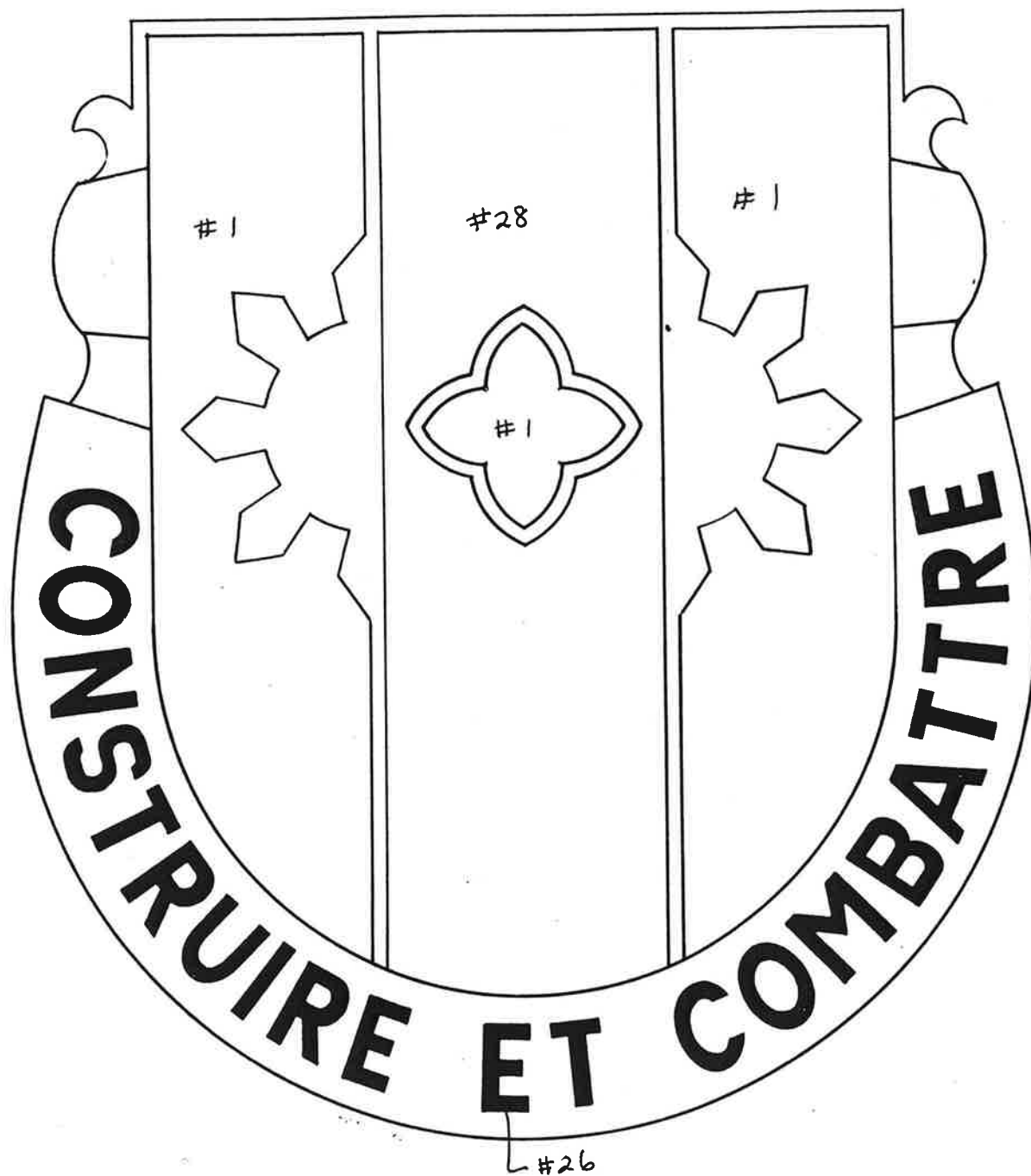


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**FLAG  
961ST ENGINEER BATTALION  
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE**





Authorized 19 MAR 1958  
 961ST ENGINEER BATTALION  
 D-4056  
 ACTUAL SIZE  $\frac{1}{8}'' \pm \frac{1}{64}$

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 FINISH-----MIRROR-LIKE POLISH  
 SHIELD-----

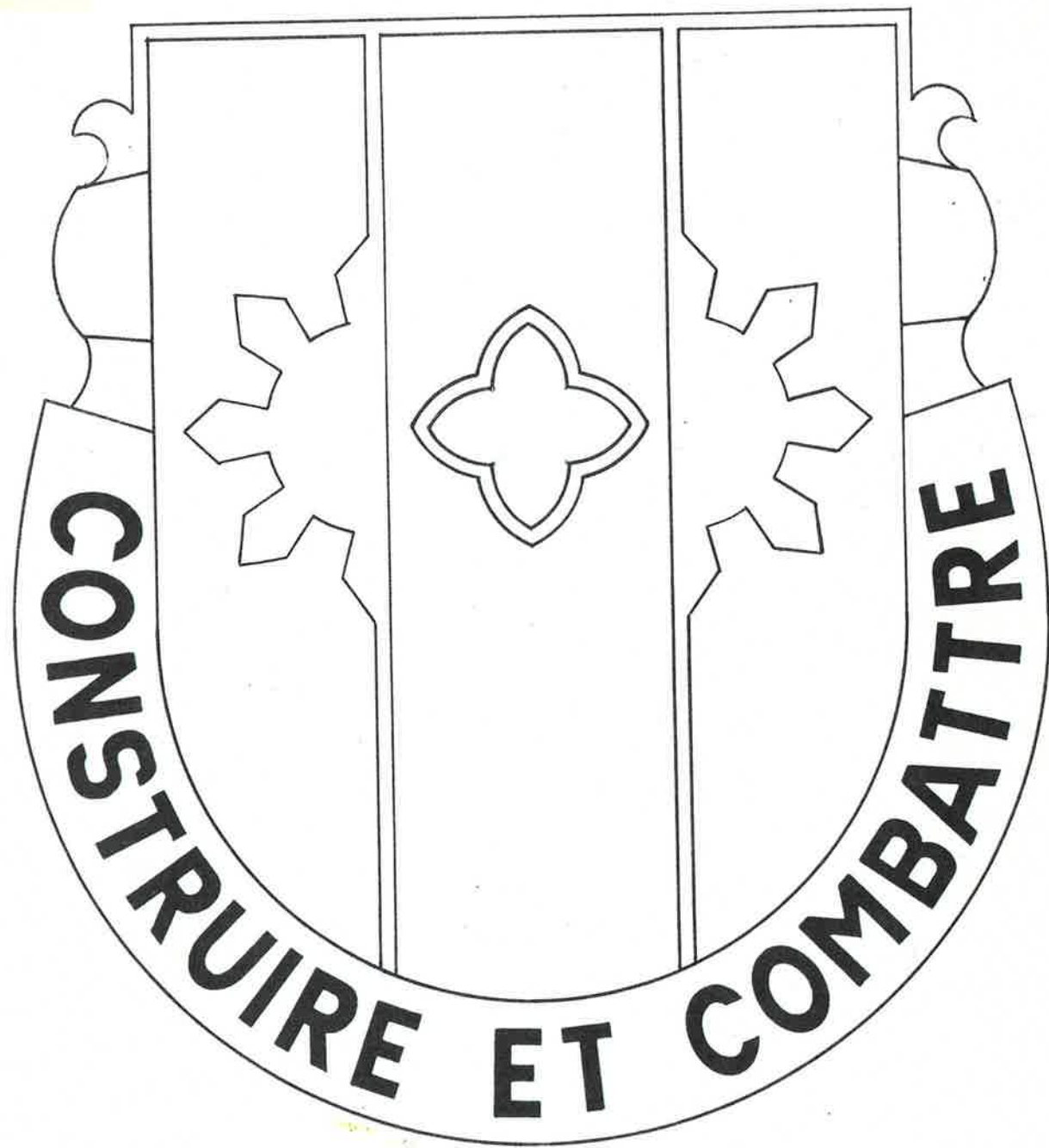
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CHARGES--FLUSH

LETTERING-----VITREOUS OPAQUE ENAMEL (BLACK #26)

PIERCING-----NONE

CHIP NO.-----RED #1 BLACK #26 WHITE # 28



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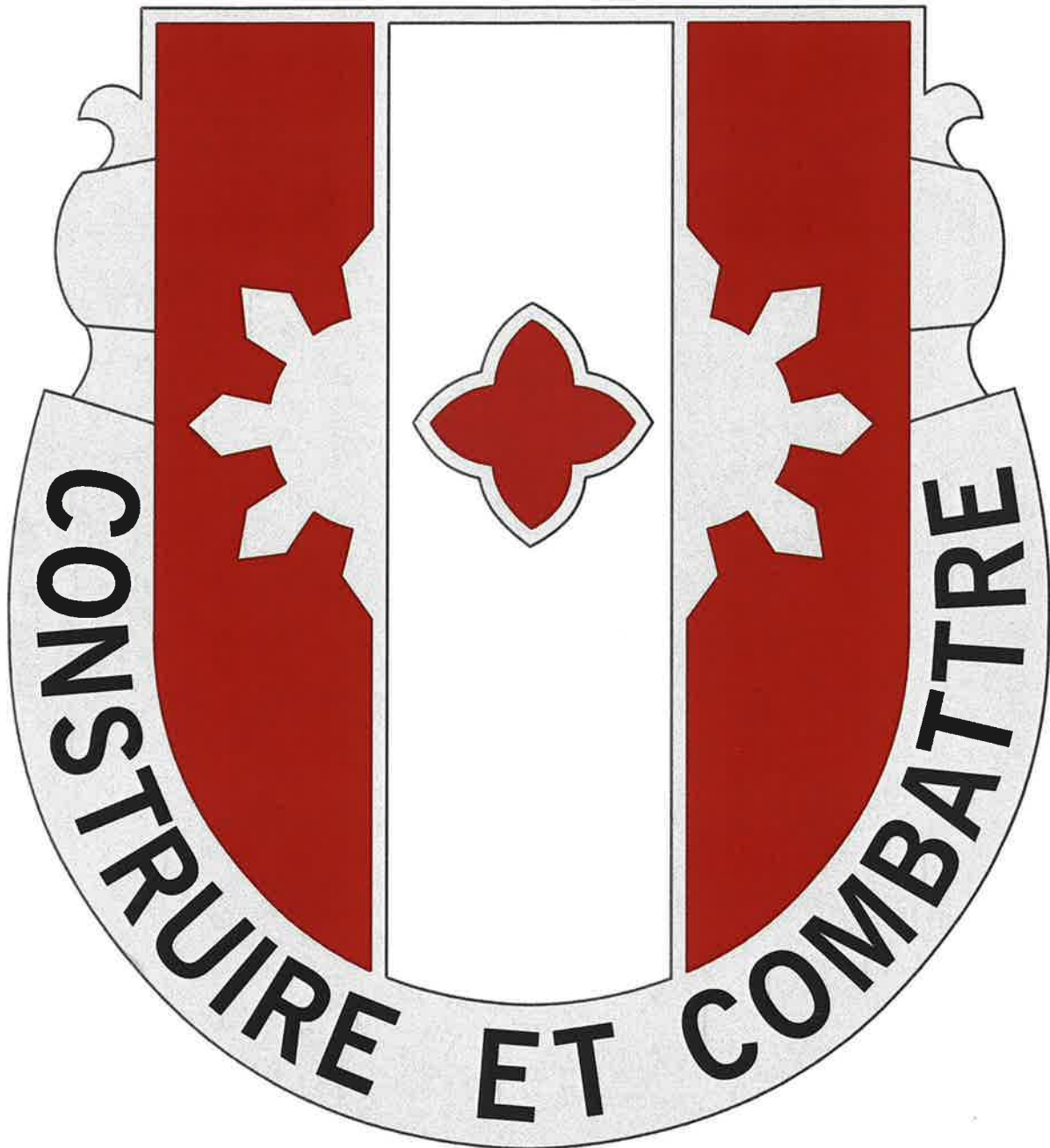
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961ST ENGINEER BATTALION  
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE**