



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
THE INSTITUTE OF HERALDRY  
9325 GUNSTON ROAD, ROOM S112  
FORT BELVOIR, VIRGINIA 22060-5579

AAMH-IHS (840-10a)

SEP 28 2016

MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 303d Military Intelligence Battalion, ATTN: LTC Leonovich/CSM Rivera, 7192 Tunisia Loop, Fort Hood, TX 76544

SUBJECT: Heraldic Entitlements for 303d Military Intelligence Battalion

1. While updating the coat of arms drawing, an error was discovered in the blazon of the coat of arms. Therefore, we have amended the coat of arms (COA) authorization letter to correct the error (encl 1) and have also amended the distinctive unit insignia (DUI) authorization letter to update the description (encl 2).
2. Also enclosed for your records are the following:
  - a. Color print of the COA and flag (encls 3 and 4).
  - b. COA manufacturing drawing (5-6-2949) (encl 5).
  - c. Copies of the manufacturing drawing, black and white line drawing and color print of the DUI (encls 6-8).
3. POC at this Institute is Mrs. Henning, DSN 656-4972, COMM (703) 806-4972 or by email at [bonnie.s.henning.civ@mail.mil](mailto:bonnie.s.henning.civ@mail.mil).

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 303d Military Intelligence Battalion, ATTN: LTC Leonovich/CSM Rivera, 7192 Tunisia Loop, Fort Hood, TX 76544

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms for 303d Military Intelligence Battalion

1. The coat of arms amended this date to correct the blazon, was:

- a. **Originally approved** for the 303d Army Security Agency Battalion by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 11 March 1963.
- b. **Amended** to correct the description by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 16 July 1963.
- c. **Rescinded** by letter DAAG-HDA, The Institute of Heraldry, 24 April 1973.
- d. **Reinstated and redesignated** for the 303d Military Intelligence Battalion and amended to add a crest by letter DAAG-HDP-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 16 April 1979.

2. The blazon and symbolism of the design are as follows:

### BLAZON

**SHIELD:** Or, a pile between two piles reversed and conjoined Celeste (Oriental Blue), bearing in chief an edelweiss Argent seeded of the first and issuant from base two beacons of the last, enflamed Tenné, garnished and edged Or.

**CREST:** From a wreath Or and Celeste (Oriental Blue), in front of a stylized wreath of rice of the first, four flashes saltirewise Gules.

**MOTTO:** PRIMI NOSCERE (First To Know).

### SYMBOLISM

**SHIELD:** Oriental blue and silver gray are the colors used for Military Intelligence Battalions. The blue piles represent the mountains of Central Europe and of Korea where the Battalion's parent organizations served. Those organizations were Signal Service companies in Europe and a Communications Reconnaissance Battalion in Korea. The edelweiss, small white flower prized by European mountaineers, refers to the unit's service in Central Europe and Austria. The two beacons refer to Korea's ancient and effective system of communications which was accomplished by means of beacon fires on the mountain tops, and refer to the Battalion's two Korea unit decorations.

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**CREST:** The colors red and yellow are traditionally associated with Vietnam as is the rice which compose the wreath, a symbol of excellence and achievement. The red flashes refer to the four Meritorious Unit Commendations earned while serving in Vietnam and signify the unit's activities there. They also represent accuracy and speed.

3. This authorization is in accordance with paragraph 5-59, AR 840-10. A copy of this letter will become part of your permanent organizational history file.

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, 303d Military Intelligence Battalion, ATTN: LTC Leonovich/CSM Rivera, 7192 Tunisia Loop, Fort Hood, TX 76544

SUBJECT: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the 303d Military Intelligence Battalion

1. The distinctive unit insignia amended this date to update the description, was:
  - a. **Originally approved** for the 303d Military Intelligence Battalion by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 11 March 1963.
  - b. **Amended** to correct the description by letter AGAH-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 16 July 1963.
  - c. **Redesignated** for the 303d Military Intelligence Battalion by letter DAAG-HDP-A, The Institute of Heraldry, 16 April 1979.
2. The description and symbolism of the design are as follows:

#### DESCRIPTION

A Gold color metal and enamel device 1 1/8 inches (2.86 cm) in height overall consisting of a shield blazoned: Or, a pile between two piles reversed and conjoined Celeste (Oriental Blue), bearing in chief an edelweiss Argent seeded of the first and issuant from base two beacons of the last, enflamed Gules garnished and edged Or. Attached below the shield a Gold scroll inscribed "PRIMI NOSCERE" in Black letters.

#### SYMBOLISM

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SUBJECT: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the 303d Military Intelligence Battalion

3. This authorization is in accordance with AR 670-1. A copy of this letter will become part of your permanent organizational history files.

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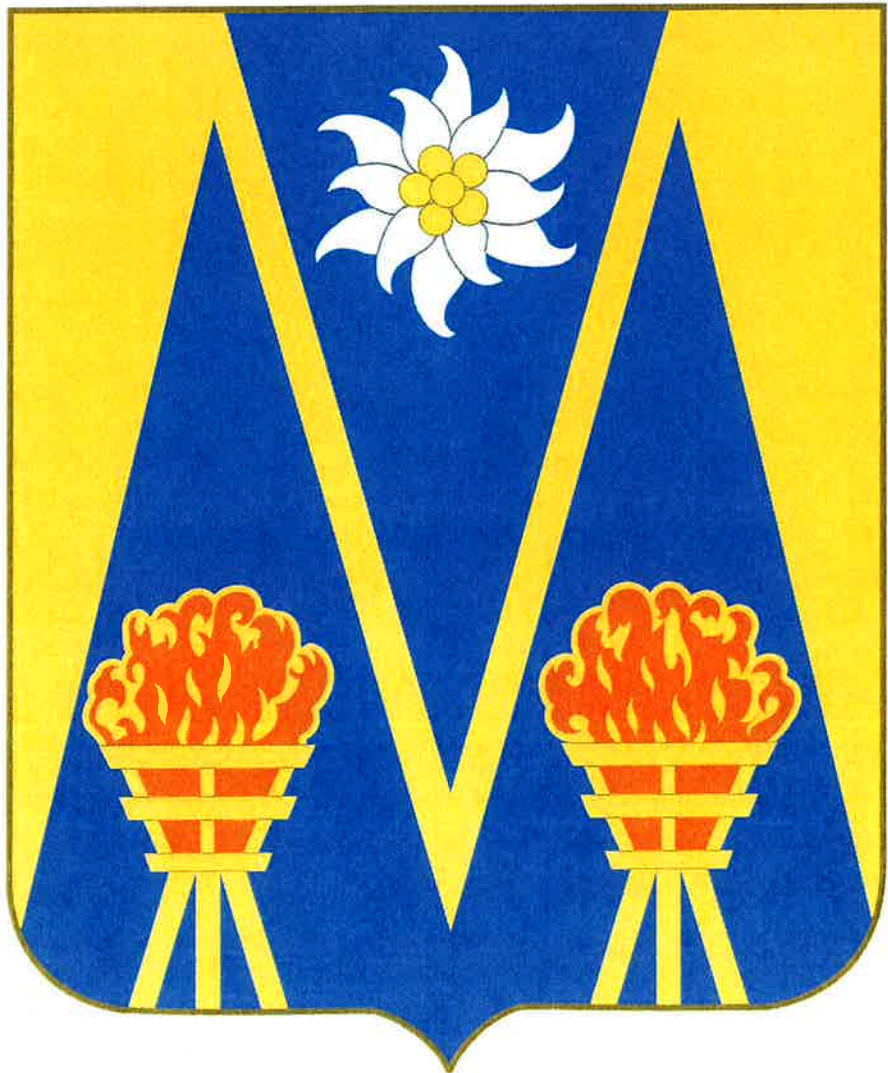
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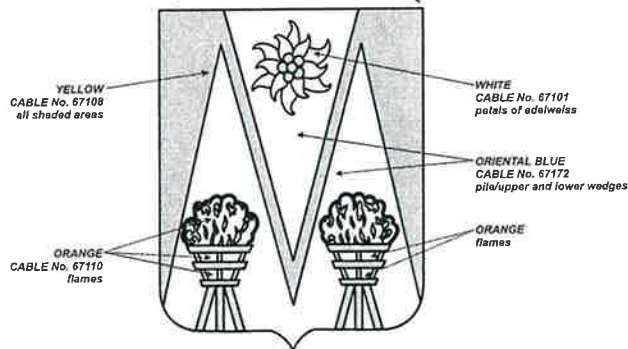
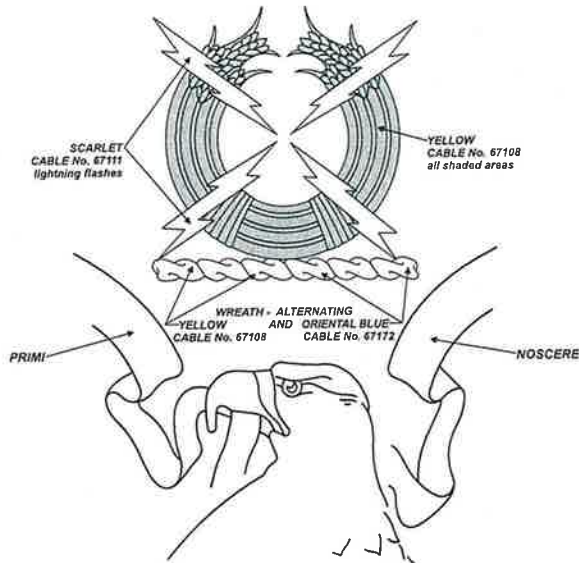
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COAT OF ARMS  
303<sup>D</sup> MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION



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REFERENCE	DRAWING No.
DATE DRAWING OF ESCALLO	54-1
DATE DRAWING WITH COLOR SPECIFICATIONS	54-2
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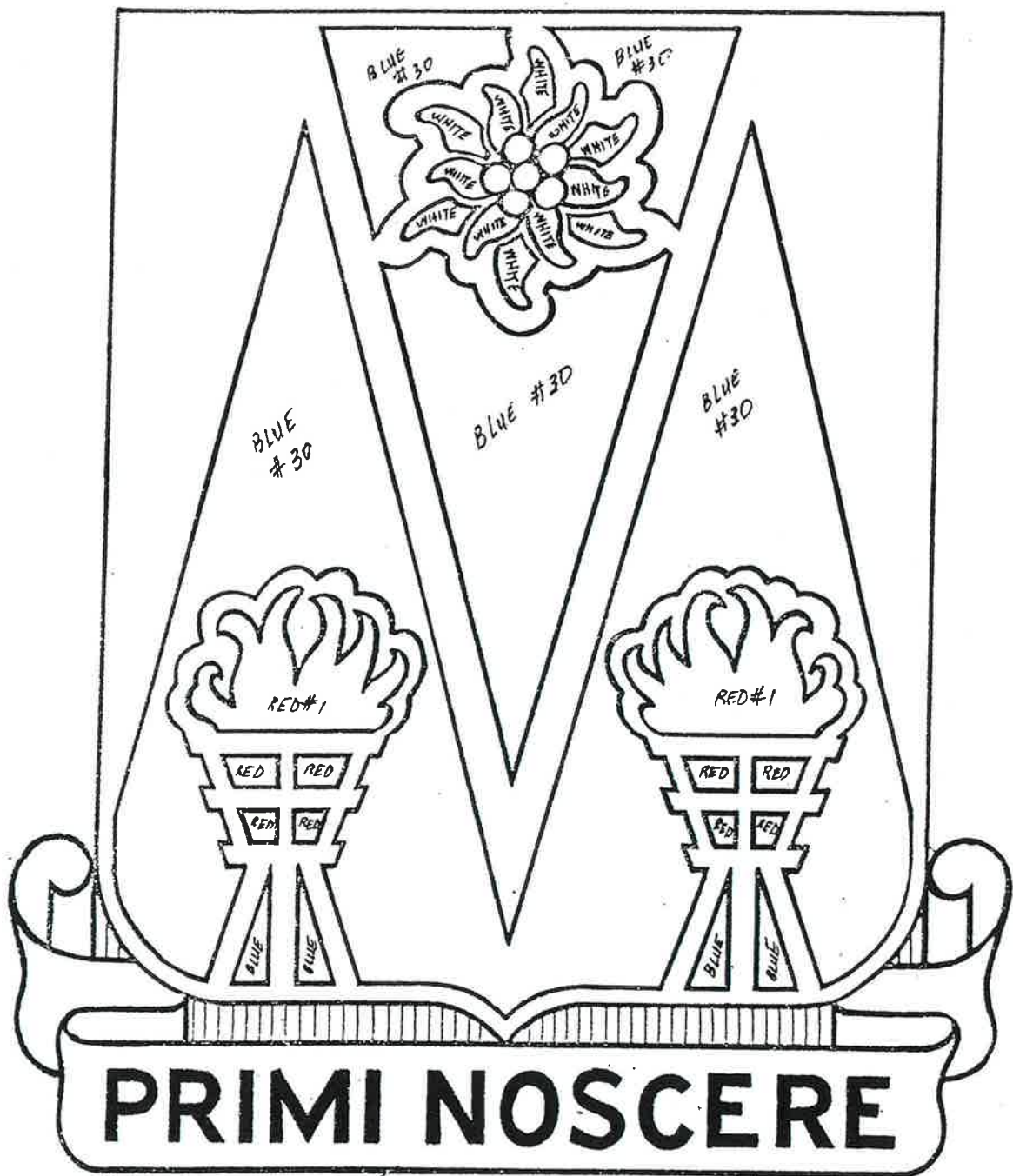
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COAT OF ARMS FOR  
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**303D MILITARY INTELLIGENCE  
BATTALION**

FILE FOR INCH. NO. **5-6-2949**  
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LETTERS BLACK #26

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303D MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION

ACTUAL SIZE----- $1\frac{1}{8} \pm \frac{1}{64}$ "

METAL COLOR----- GOLD

FINISH----- MIRROR-LIKE POLISH

ENAMEL----- VITREOUS OPAQUE

CHARGES----- FLUSH

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

PIERCING----- NONE, RECESSED & LINED BETWEEN  
SHIELD & SCROLL

DESIGN ORIGINALLY APPROVED 11 MAR 1963

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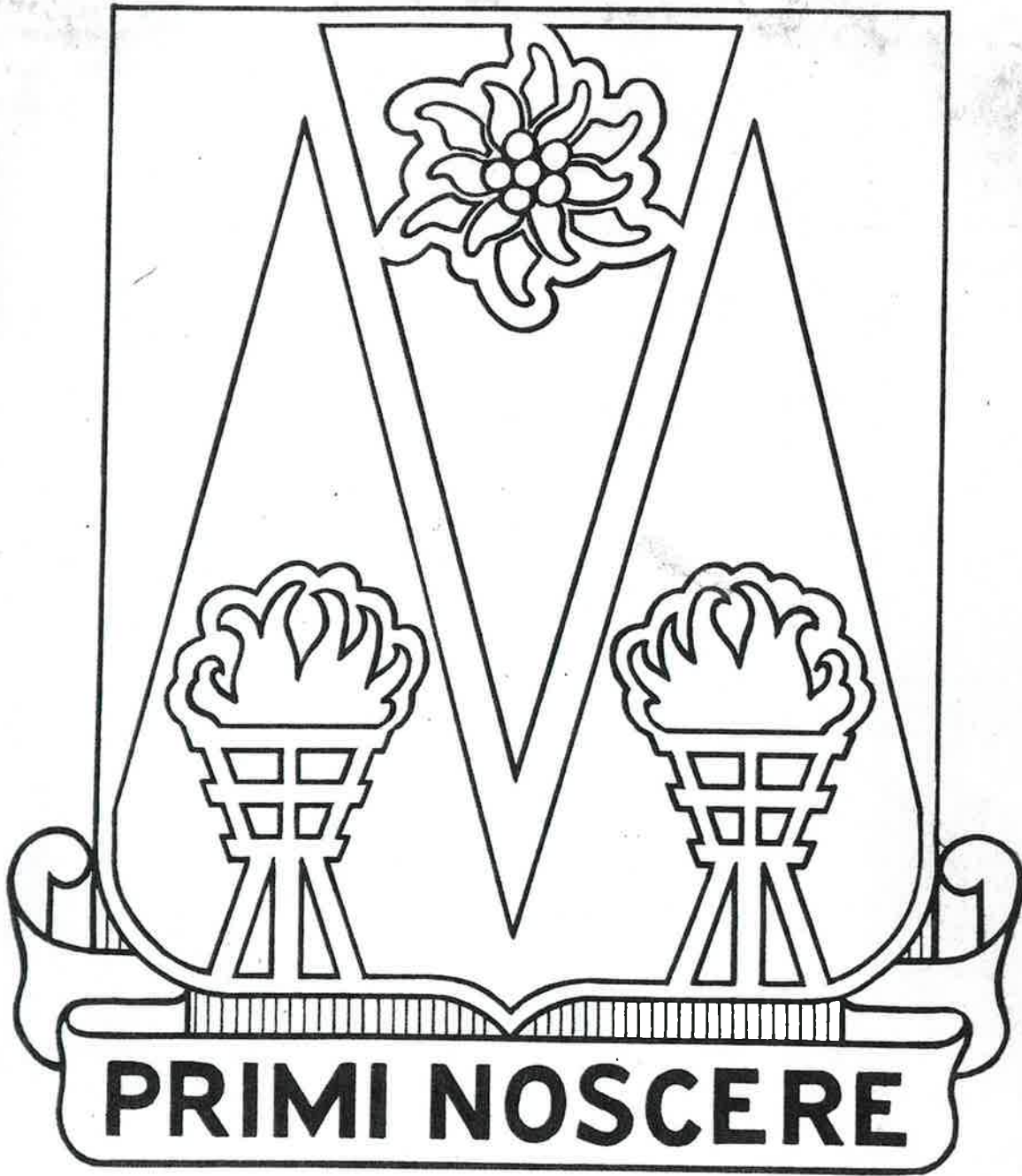
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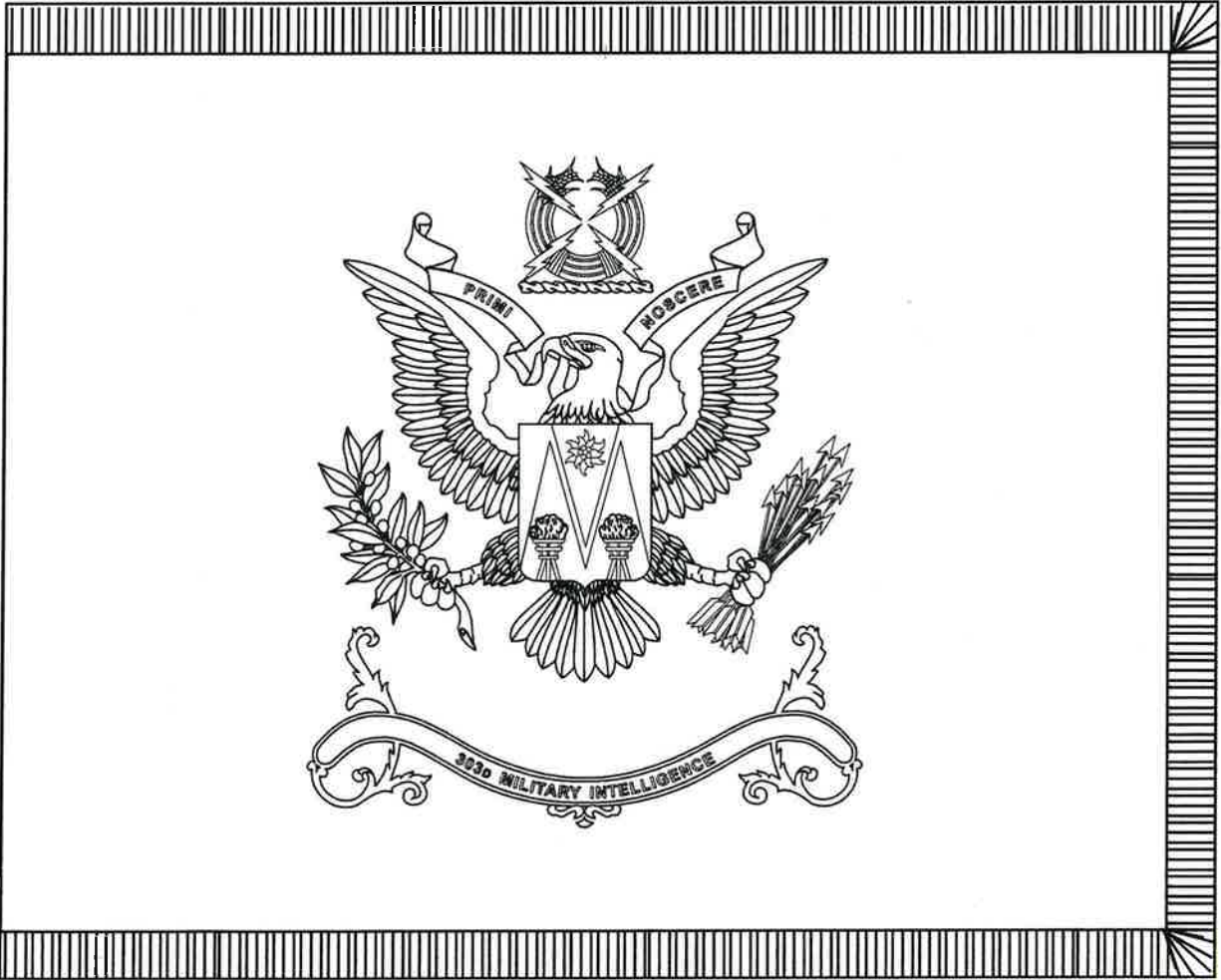
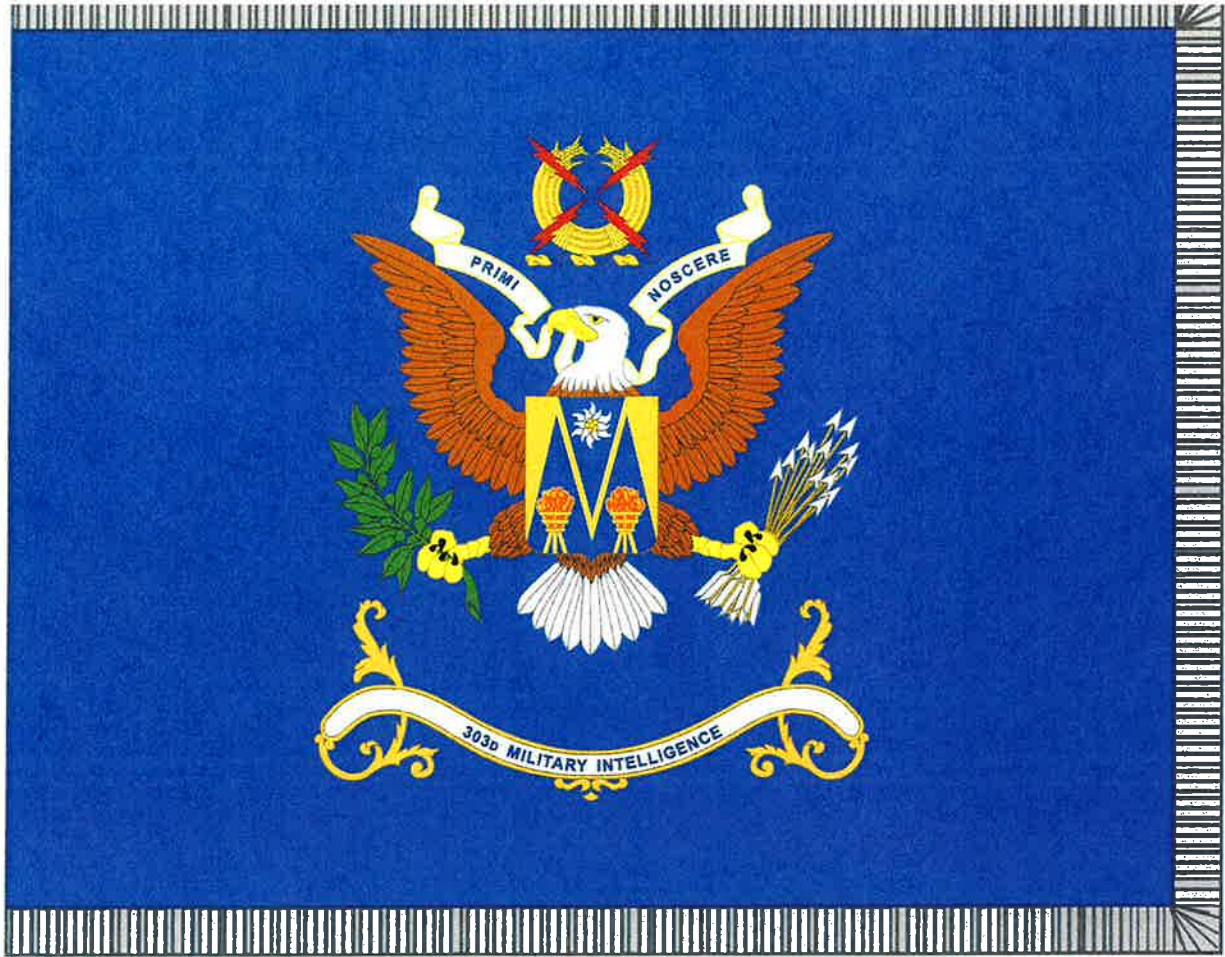


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ACTUAL SIZE

**DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA  
303<sup>D</sup> MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BATTALION**



FLAG  
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