

QMGB 424.2 & 421.4
466th AAA Bn, ORC

7 February 1952

SUBJECT: Coat of Arms and Distinctive Insignia for the 466th
Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Organized Reserves Corps

TO: Commanding Officer
466th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion
Camp Cooke, California

1. The coat of arms, redesignated this date for the 466th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Organized Reserves Corps, and amended by addition of Organized Reserves Corps crest, was
 - a. Originally approved for the 466th Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) by letter SPQRD 424 466th Coast Artillery Bn, this Office, 15 January 1943;
 - b. Amended by letter SPQRD 424.2-466th C.A. Bn, this Office, 10 August 1943;
 - c. Redesignated for the 466th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weapons Battalion by letter SPQRD 424.2-466th AAA Automatic Weapons Battalion, this Office, 9 May 1945.

2. The blazonry is as follows:

SHIELD: Or, within a double tressure a pale gules fretty of the field in front of six bars wavy azure.

CREST: That for the regiments and separate battalions of the Organized Reserves Corps: On a wreath of the colors (or and gules) the Lexington Minute Man proper. The statue of the Minute Man, Captain John Parker, (H. H. Kitson, sculptor) stands on the common in Lexington, Massachusetts.

MOTTO: Firm and Determined.

The description given in the original approval, cited in paragraph 1a, is as follows:

The scarlet is for the Coast Artillery Corps. The vertical pale denotes military strength and fortitude, and anciently was bestowed upon those who had defended cities or supported the government; the fretty interlacing also being symbolic of protection.

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The six, wavy, blue bars, representing the seas, refers to the coastal territory covered by the organization. The scarlet double treasure is representative of the most anciently used in the protection of medieval castles. The motto is expressive of the characteristics of the personnel in the performance of their duties.

3. The distinctive insignia, redesignated this date for the 466th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Organized Reserves Corps, and amended to show correction of description of shield as given in amendment letter of coat of arms cited in subparagraph 1b, was

a. Originally approved for the 466th Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) by letter SPQRD 421-466th Coast Artillery Battalion, this Office, 15 January 1943.

4. The distinctive insignia consists of the shield and motto of the coat of arms for this organization, which is described in paragraph 2.

TO BE WORN: As prescribed by current regulations.

5. The painting of the coat of arms for the records of the organization and the approved drawing for use in the manufacture of the distinctive insignia will be furnished on or about 8 April 1952.

6. This redesignation and amendment letter is in accordance with "Official Statement of Lineage and Battle Honors," dated 26 December 1951, copy of which, it is understood, was furnished your organization by Office of Military History.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

ARTHUR E. DUBOIS
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CREST: Organized Reserve Corps. Wreath; Or and gules.

MOTTO: Firm and Determined.



COAT OF ARMS FOR STANDARD OF

466TH AA ARTILLERY

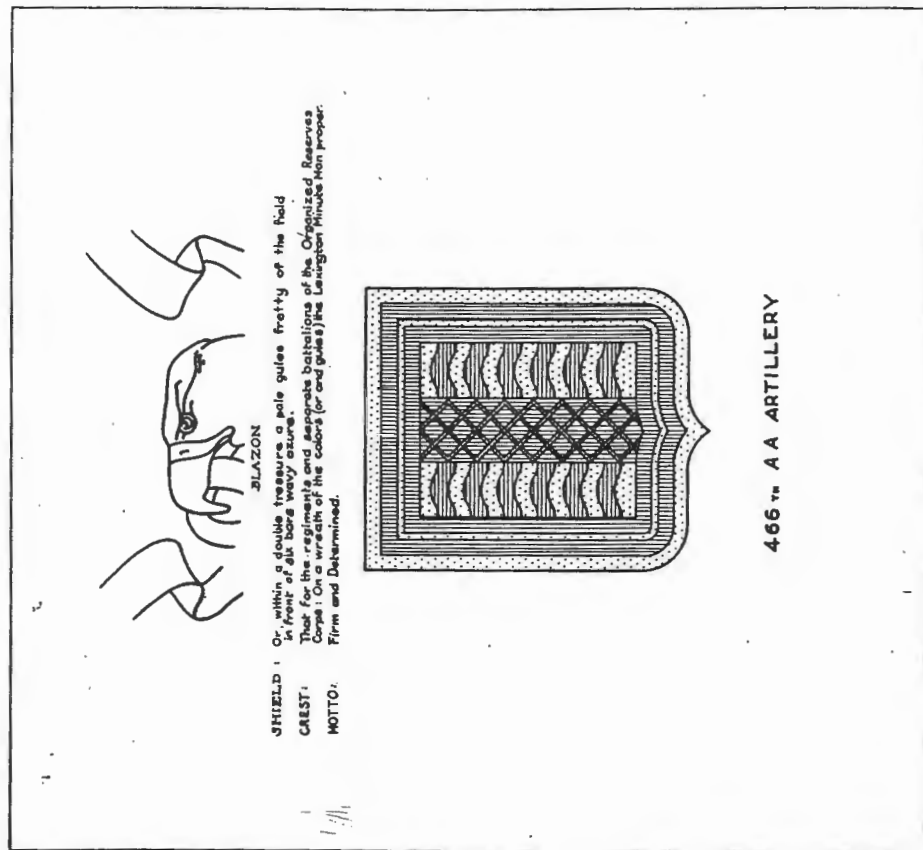
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BATTLE HONORS ON STREAMERS
<i>Atlantic-Pacific Theater (World War II)</i>
<i>Bismarck Archipelago</i>
<i>New Guinea</i>

REFERENCE	DRAWING NO.
<i>Base drawing of eagle</i>	CE 5-0-1
<i>Base drawing with color specifications</i>	CE 5-5-2
<i>Streamers</i>	CE 5-5-2
<i>Crest for Organized Reserve</i>	CE 5-8-1



FORMERLY 468TH COAST ARTILLERY BN

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