

AGAH-7

4 APR 1972

SUBJECT: Distinctive Insignia for the 87th Air Defense Artillery Group

Commanding Officer
87th Air Defense Artillery Group
APO Seattle 98749

1. The distinctive insignia originally approved for the 87th Artillery Group, 26 August 1969, is authorized this date for the 87th Air Defense Artillery Group. It is described as follows:

DESCRIPTION

A device of gold color metal and enamel 1 3/16 inches in height consisting of a black wavy scroll in base bearing the motto "DEFENSORES BOREAE" in gold letters and supporting two gold Burmese griffins crouching back to back with a gold five-pointed star centered above their heads issuing a circlet of red rays throughout.

SYMBOLISM

The colors scarlet and gold (yellow) are for Air Defense Artillery. The two chinthe, or Burmese sacred griffins, facing outward in an attitude of defense are adapted from the seal of the Republic of Burma where the unit served in World War II. The gold star (placed uppermost to denote the North Star) alludes to the flag of Alaska where the Group is now stationed, and the rays suggest the Aurora Borealis, a phenomenon of the northern skies and a reference to the function of Air Defense.

2. The distinctive insignia will be worn as prescribed in AR 670-5.


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3. This redesignation letter will become a permanent file of the organization in accordance with File No. 2-05, AR 340-2 or File No. 220-00, Organizational History files, AR 340-10-2, as applicable.

4. This redesignation letter is in accordance with letter The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, DAAG-ASG-D (H) (24 Feb 72) DAED, 28 February 1972, effective 15 March 1972.


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Commanding

CF: OCMH (2)

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Concurrence: Chief, D&I Div. *CAF*



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87TH AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY GROUP
NON-COLOR BEARING UNITS

D-4597

ACTUAL SIZE $1 \frac{3}{16} \pm \frac{1}{64}$ "

METAL COLOR-----GOLD
FINISH-----MIRROR-LIKE POLISH
DEVICE-----

ENAMEL---VITREOUS OPAQUE
CHARGES---FLUSH---DETAILS INCISED

LETTERING-----BASE METAL
PIERCING-----NONE
CHIP No. -----RED #1 BLACK #26



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**SUGGESTED DESIGN FOR
DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA BADGE**

87TH ARTILLERY GROUP (AIR DEFENSE)

NONCOLOR BEARING UNITS

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