

United States Marine Corps



LINEAGE OF

31ST MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNIT

1967 – 1985

ACTIVATED 1 MARCH 1967 AT CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN, AS
SPECIAL LANDING FORCE ALPHA (TASK GROUP 79.4), AND ASSIGNED TO
III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

REDESIGNATED 26 JANUARY 1970 AS SPECIAL LANDING FORCE BRAVO (TASK GROUP 79.5)

REDESIGNATED 7 MAY 1970 AS SPECIAL LANDING FORCE ALPHA (TASK GROUP 79.4)

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, APRIL 1967 – MARCH 1973 AND MARCH-APRIL 1975

REDESIGNATED 24 NOVEMBER 1970 AS 31ST MARINE AMPHIBIOUS UNIT

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION EAGLE PULL, SOUTHEAST ASIA, APRIL 1975

PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF MULTI-NATIONAL PEACEKEEPING FORCES, LEBANON,
SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1983

DEACTIVATED 29 APRIL 1985

1992 – 2018

REACTIVATED 9 SEPTEMBER 1992 AT CAMP COURTNEY, OKINAWA, JAPAN, AS
31ST MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNIT

RELOCATED DURING AUGUST 1994 TO CAMP HANSEN, OKINAWA, JAPAN

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS IN THE PERSIAN GULF AND KUWAIT,
NOVEMBER 1998 – FEBRUARY 1999

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION STABILISE, EAST TIMOR, SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1999,
JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2000, OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2001 AND OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2002

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ SEPTEMBER 2004 – MARCH 2005

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, PHILIPPINES, FEBRUARY 2006

PARTICIPATED IN HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS
IN RESPONSE TO MUDSLIDES, PHILIPPINES, FEBRUARY 2006

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION CARING RESPONSE, MYANMAR, MAY-JUNE 2008

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION TOMODACHI, JAPAN, MARCH-APRIL 2011

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION DAMAYAN, PHILIPPINES, NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2013

23 July 2018
DATE


COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

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AWARDED

31ST MARINE EXPEDITIONARY UNIT

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1967

IRAQ
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM
1968

1998
2001 - 2003

IRAQ
2004 - 2005

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM
1975

LEBANON
1983

1998 - 2000
2008 - 2010

MARINE CORPS EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE STARS

IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER

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