

LINEAGE OF

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16

1952 – 1989

ACTIVATED 1 MARCH 1952 AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, AS MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16,
AIR FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

DEPLOYED DURING JULY-AUGUST 1953 TO HANSHIN AUXILIARY AIR BASE, HONSHU, JAPAN,
AND ASSIGNED TO 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REDEPLOYED DURING APRIL 1954 TO OPPAMA, JAPAN

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1960 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE LANDING IN THAILAND, MAY-JULY 1962

ELEMENTS DEPLOYED TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, APRIL 1962 – OCTOBER 1964

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1965 TO DA NANG, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, MARCH 1965 – JUNE 1971,
OPERATING FROM

DA NANG
MARBLE MOUNTAIN

REASSIGNED DURING APRIL 1971 TO 3D MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1971 TO SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1990 – 2011

PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
AUGUST 1990 – APRIL 1991

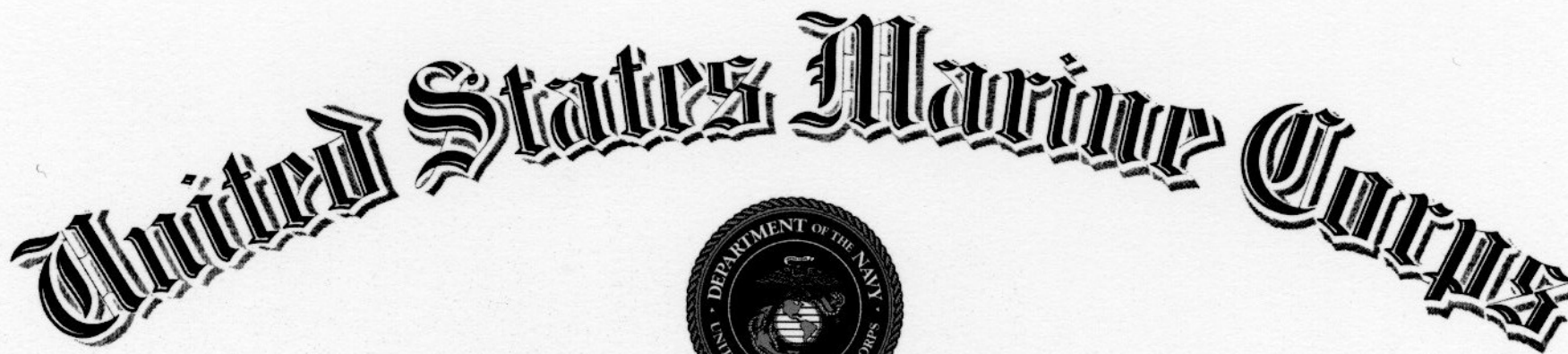
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION RESTORE HOPE, SOMALIA, DECEMBER 1992 – MARCH 1993

RELOCATED DURING AUGUST 1998 TO MIRAMAR, CALIFORNIA

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN,
NOVEMBER 2001 – JUNE 2002

DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 2003 TO THE ARABIAN GULF IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003, FEBRUARY 2004 – MARCH 2005,
FEBRUARY 2006 – FEBRUARY 2007 AND JANUARY 2008 – FEBRUARY 2009



HONORS

AWARDED

MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1965 – 1967

IRAQ
2003

JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD STREAMER

SOMALIA
1992 – 1993

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER AND ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1968
1968 – 1969
1970 – 1971

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

IRAQ
2004 – 2005
2006 – 2007
2008 – 2009

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

VIETNAM
1970

MARINE CORPS EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE STARS

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER STAR

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

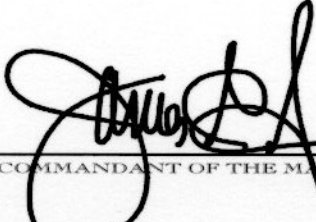
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER

VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER

28 MARCH 2012

DATE


COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS