LINEAGE
OF
MARINE MEDIUM TILTROTOR SQUADRON 162

1951 – 1961

ACTIVATED 30 JUNE 1951 AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, AS MARINE HELICOPTER SQUADRON 162 AND ASSIGNED TO AIR FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REASSIGNED DURING MARCH 1952 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16, AIR FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 1953 TO OSAKA, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1954 TO OPPAMA, JAPAN

REDESIGNATED 31 DECEMBER 1956 AS MARINE HELICOPTER SQUADRON (LIGHT) 162

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1959 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

DEPLOYED DURING APRIL 1960 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING JULY 1961 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1962 – 1969

REDESIGNATED 1 FEBRUARY 1962 AS MARINE MEDIUM HELICOPTER SQUADRON 162

DEPLOYED DURING JUNE 1962 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

TEMPORARILY STATIONED DURING JUNE-JULY 1962 IN THAILAND FOR LAOTIAN CRISIS

REDEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 1963 TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, JANUARY-JUNE 1963, JUNE-OCTOBER 1964 AND MARCH-MAY 1965 OPERATING FROM DA NANG NHA TRANG

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1963 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

DEPLOYED DURING MAY 1964 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 16, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING
REDEPLOYED DURING JUNE 1964 TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
REDEPLOYED DURING OCTOBER 1964 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA
AFLOAT ON BOARD USS PRINCETON IN EASTERN PACIFIC, OCTOBER 1964 – MARCH 1965
REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1965 TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
REDEPLOYED DURING MAY 1965 TO FUTEMA, OKINAWA
RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1965 TO NEW RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1970 – 1995
PARTICIPATED IN DEPLOYMENT TO INDIAN OCEAN, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1980
REASSIGNED DURING JANUARY 1983 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 29
PARTICIPATED AS PART OF THE MULTINATIONAL PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN LEBANON,
MAY-NOVEMBER 1983
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION SHARP EDGE, LIBERIA, AUGUST 1990 – JANUARY 1991
PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION PROVIDE COMFORT, IRAQ, JULY 1991
PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION RESTORE HOPE, SOMALIA, NOVEMBER 1993
PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS PROVIDE PROMISE AND DENY FLIGHT, BOSNIA, JANUARY 1994

1996 – 2014
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ASSURED RESPONSE, LIBERIA, APRIL-JUNE 1996
PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION JOINT FORGE, ALBANIA, AUGUST-NOVEMBER 1998
ELEMENT PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION BALKAN CALM, KOSOVO,
SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 1998
ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF EFFORTS, NORTH CAROLINA, IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE FLOYD,
SEPTEMBER 1999
DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 2003 TO KUWAIT IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-SEPTEMBER 2005 AND
APRIL-OCTOBER 2008
REDESIGNATED 31 AUGUST 2006 AS MARINE MEDIUM TILTROTOR SQUADRON 162 AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 26
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION UNIFIED RESPONSE, HAITI, IN RESPONSE TO EARTHQUAKE, JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2010
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN, JULY 2011 – JANUARY 2012

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MARINE MEDIUM TILTROTOR SQUADRON 162

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1965

IRAQ
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1963 – 1964

LEBANON
1983

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

1974
1979
1986 – 1987
1998

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER

MARINE CORPS EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER

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