LINEAGE
OF
5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE

1918 – 1919
ACTIVATED 4 SEPTEMBER 1918 AT QUANTICO, VIRGINIA, AS 5TH BRIGADE
DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1918 TO BREST, FRANCE
PARTICIPATED IN WORLD WAR I, FRANCE, SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 1918
RELOCATED DURING AUGUST 1919 TO HAMPTON ROADS, VIRGINIA
DEACTIVATED 13 AUGUST 1919

1921 – 1924
REACTIVATED 1 NOVEMBER 1921 AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA
DEACTIVATED 1 MARCH 1924

1961 – 1984
TEMPORARILY REACTIVATED AS 5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE AT VARIOUS TIMES DURING THE 1960s TO PARTICIPATE IN EXERCISES AND OPERATIONS IN THE CARIBBEAN AND WEST COAST AREAS
ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1962
REDESIGNATED 18 AUGUST 1970 AS 5TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE
ACTIVATED FOR PARTICIPATION IN NUMEROUS TRAINING EXERCISES DURING THE 1970s AND 1980s

1985 – 2015
ACTIVATED 1 JULY 1985 AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AS A PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS
REDESIGNATED 5 FEBRUARY 1988 AS 5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE
DEPLOYED DECEMBER 1990 – FEBRUARY 1991 TO THE WESTERN PACIFIC, GULF OF OMAN, NORTH ARABIAN SEA AND THE PERSIAN GULF
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA, DECEMBER 1990 – MARCH 1991
PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION SEA ANGEL, BANGLADESH, MAY 1991
REDEPLOYED DURING JUNE 1991 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA
DEACTIVATED 13 DECEMBER 1991
REACTIVATED 15 OCTOBER 2015

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AWARDED

5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE

JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD STREAMER
BANGLADESH
1991

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER
SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 – 1991

WORLD WAR I VICTORY STREAMER WITH BRONZE MALTESE CROSS

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

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