# **172 SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON**

## **MISSION**

# LINEAGE

172 Security Police Flight
Redesignated 172 Security Police Squadron, 1 Mar 1994
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#### **STATIONS**

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#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

172 Mission Support Group

## **COMMANDERS**

Cpt David D Kirtley 17 Jun 80 Cpt David G. McLeod LTC Billy Ware

#### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

**Decorations** 

**EMBLEM** 

**MOTTO** 

**NICKNAME** 

#### **OPERATIONS**

The 172 Security Police Flight deployed to RAF Mildenhall, England from 12 August to 26 August 1989. A total of 36 members deployed to work with the 513 Security Police Flight at Mildenhall.

The 172 Security Police Flight (SPF) deployed 32 members to Little Rock AFB. Ark., from 4-17 July 1990 for Volant Scorpion (security police field combat training). They were attached to the 1314 Ground Combat Readiness evaluation Squadron on the outskirts of the base at Little Rock for 14 days of intense training, testing and evaluation in ground combat skills under very realistic wartime field conditions.

SMSgt Leroy Roberts, a member of the 172 Security Police Flight, reported in September 1991 that during Operation Desert Shield/Storm, the flight trained 11 personnel for military customs duty at Thompson Field, and that the flight's arms and equipment vault operated around the clock in order to support the flying sections with weapons and ammunition. He said that the pass and identification section worked additional duty hours as they were tasked with handling the large number of military members and their dependants who required identification cards and restricted area badges.

Recent changes in command positions for two units were noted, including Maj. Nick Montgomery as the new commander of the 172 Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, replacing Lt Col Sam Hazel, who transferred to Scoot AFB as the ANG advisor to the Air Mobility Command/LG, and Capt Floyd Daniels as the new commander of the 172 Security Police Flight, replacing Lt Col Billy Ware, who was named executive support officer/chief of staff. 172 Airlift Group.

Fifty members of the 172 Civil Engineering Squadron and nine members of the 172 Services Flight were recently called into active duty for one year, beginning on 10 February 1991. The members were notified on 9 February 1991 to report for roll call o 10 February 1991; they were processed through mobility on 11 February 1991, and departed for Hurlburt Field, Fla., on 13 February 1991. Also, 25 members of the 172 Security Police Flight were activated in February 1991 to provide additional security at Thompson Field.

Forty-four members of the 172 Security Police Flight were deployed to Panama in support of Task Force Rushmore from 5 June to 21 June 1993; this was a joint project of the Army, the Army Guard, and the Air National Guard, for the construction of roads and schools in the northeast part of Panama. Personnel from the 172 Security Police Flight were assigned to Camp Rousseau (located three miles from Howard AFB) and Fort Espiner (located about 75 miles from Rousseau on the other side of the canal); they were given the responsibility of guarding equipment and vehicles at both forts and providing escorts for convoys moving vehicles and equipment from Fort Rousseau to Fort Espinar. They lived under field conditions during the two-week deployment.

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Sources

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