6204 PHOTO MAPPING SQUADRON

LINEAGE

6204 Photo Mapping Flight 6204 Photo Mapping Squadron

STATIONS

Clark AFB, Philippines, 16 Sep 1949-1 Jun 1953

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

6204th Photo Mapping Flight Detachment 1

In mid-July 1950, the 6204th Photo Mapping Flight, located at Clark AB, Philippines, deployed the flight's two RB—17 aircraft complete with combat crews and maintenance personnel to Johnson AB, Japan. The FEAF deployment order specified that the two RB-17 aircraft be equipped with normal armament insofar as practicable, not to interfere with the photographic capability of the aircraft. This posed a problem for the flight, since the RB-17s had been flying peacetime missions

and were not equipped for combat. However, the 6204th found the necessary gunners and equipment and made the modifications to the aircraft, so that by late August 1950 the detachment began flying photomapping missions over Korea. By the end of November 1950, it had photographed the entire North Korean area at least once and rephotographed some areas as far north as weather conditions permitted. By early December the detachment returned to Clark AB and resumed the flight's mapping program in the Philippine area.

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