

## **1<sup>st</sup> AIR BASE OPERABILITY SQUADRON**

On 6 Dec 1939, a size designator was added to all Air Base Sqs:

Base Hq and 1st Air Base Sq (2-Group) - Langley Field, Va.  
Base Hq and 2nd Air Base Sq (1-Group) - Mitchel Field, N. Y.  
Base Hq and 3rd Air Base Sq (1-Group) - Selfridge Field, Mich.  
Base Hq and 4th Air Base Sq (2-Group) - March Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 5th Air Base Sq (1-Group) - Hamilton Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 6th Air Base Sq (2-Group) - Barksdale Field, La.

On 1 Feb 1940, the following redesignations took place to remove the conflict of designations:

Base Hq and 1st Air Base Sq (Double) - Langley Field, Va.  
Base Hq and 2nd Air Base Sq (Single) - Mitchel Field, N. Y.  
Base Hq and 3rd Air Base Sq (Single) - Selfridge Field, Mich.  
Base Hq and 4th Air Base Sq (Double) - March Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 5th Air Base Sq (Single) - Hamilton Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 6th Air Base Sq (Double) - Barksdale Field, La.  
Base Hq and 9th Air Base Sq (Single) - Moffett Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 15th Air Base Sq (Double) - Albrook Field, C. Z.  
Base Hq and 16th Air Base Sq (Double) - France Field, C. Z.  
Base Hq and 17th Air Base Sq (Double) - Hickam Field, T. H.  
Base Hq and 18th Air Base Sq (Single) - Wheeler Field, T. H.  
Base Hq and 19th Air Base Sq (Single) - Hamilton Field, Cal. (McChord Field, Wash.)  
Base Hq and 20th Air Base Sq (Single) - Nichols Field, P. I.  
Base Hq and 23rd Air Base Sq (Single) - March Field, Cal. (Elmendorf Field, Alaska)  
Base Hq and 24th Air Base Sq (Double) - Kelly Field, Tex. (Borinquen Field, P. R.)  
Base Hq and 26th Air Base Sq (Single) - Maxwell Field, Ala. (Westover Field, Mass.)  
Base Hq and 27th Air Base Sq (Single) - Barksdale Field, La. (MacDill Field, Fla.)

In AGO Letter dated 22 Aug 1940, the following units were redesignated on 1 Sep 1940:

Base Hq and 1st Air Base Sq (Double) to 1st Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Langley Field, Va.  
Base Hq and 2nd Air Base Sq (Single) to 2nd Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Mitchel Field, N. Y.  
Base Hq and 3rd Air Base Sq (Single) to 3rd Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Selfridge Field, Mich.  
Base Hq and 4th Air Base Sq (Double) to 4th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - March Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 5th Air Base Sq (Single) to 5th Air Base Gp - Hamilton Field, Cal. (Salt Lake City, Utah)  
Base Hq and 6th Air Base Sq (Double) to 6th Air Base Gp (Special) - Barksdale Field, La.  
Base Hq and 9th Air Base Sq (Single) to 9th Air Base Gp (Special) - Moffett Field, Cal.  
Base Hq and 15th Air Base Sq (Double) to 15th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Albrook Field, C. Z.  
Base Hq and 16th Air Base Sq (Double) to 16th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - France Field, C. Z. (Howard Field, C. Z.)  
Base Hq and 17th Air Base Sq (Double) to 17th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Hickam Field, T. H.  
Base Hq and 18th Air Base Sq (Single) to 18th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Wheeler Field, T. H.  
Base Hq and 19th Air Base Sq (Single) to 19th Air Base Gp - McChord Field, Wash.

Base Hq and 20th Air Base Sq (Single) to 20th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Nichols Field, P. I.  
Base Hq and 23rd Air Base Sq (Single) to 23rd Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - March Field, Cal.  
(Elmendorf Field, Alaska)  
Base Hq and 24th Air Base Sq (Double) to 24th Air Base Gp (Reinforced) - Kelly Field, Tex.  
(Borinquen Field, P. R.)  
Base Hq and 26th Air Base Sq (Single) to 26th Air Base Gp - Maxwell Field, Ala. (Westover  
Field, Mass.)  
Base Hq and 27th Air Base Sq (Single) to 27th Air Base Gp - MacDill Field, Fla.

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