

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

On 1 Jun 1938, Base Hq and Air Base Sqs were activated in the Philippines:

20th at Nichols Field, P. I. (home of 4th Composite Gp)

On 1 Jun 1939, Base Hq and 7th Air Base Sq was redesignated 7th Air Base Sq (home of new A. C. Technical School)

On 15 Nov 1939, Base Hq and 9th AB Sq (Moffett Field, Cal.) was assigned to GHQAF (new home of 20th Purs Gp).

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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