

PACIFIC AIR FORCES



LINEAGE

Far East Air Forces established as, 31 Jul 1944
Activated, 3 Aug 1944
Redesignated Pacific Air Command, U.S. Army, 6 Dec 1945
Redesignated Far East Air Forces, 1 Jan 1947
Redesignated Pacific Air Forces, 1 Jul 1957

STATIONS

Brisbane, Australia
Leyte, The Philippines, 20 Nov 1944
Fort William McKinley, 25 Apr 1945
Tokyo, Japan
Fuchu AS, Japan, May 1956
Hickam AFB, HI, 1 Jul 1956

COMMANDERS

LTG Ennis C. Whitehead, 30 Dec 1945
LTG George E. Stratemeyer 26 Apr 1949
LTG Earle E. Partridge (acting), 21 May 1951
Gen Otto P. Weyland, 10 Jun 1951
Gen. Earle E. Partridge, 26 Mar 1954
Gen Laurence S. Kuter 1 Jun 1955
Gen Emmett O'Donnell Jr., 1 Aug 1959
Gen Jacob E. Smart, 1 Aug 1963
Gen Hunter Harris Jr., 1 Aug 1964
Gen John D. Ryan, 1 Feb 1967
Gen Joseph J. Nazzaro, 1 Aug 1968
Gen Lucius D. Clay Jr., 1 Aug 1971
Gen John W. Vogt, 1 Oct 1973
Gen Louis L. Wilson Jr., 1 Jul 1974
LTG James A. Hill, 1 Jun 1977
LTG James D. Hughes, 15 Jun 1978
LTG Arnold W. Braswell, 1 Jul 1981
Gen Jerome F. O'Malley, 8 Oct 1983
Gen Robert W. Bazley, 1 Nov 1984

Gen Jack I. Gregory, 16 Dec 1986
Gen Merrill A. McPeak, 22 Jul 1988
LTG James B. Davis, 5 Nov 1990
Gen Jimmie V. Adams, 19 Feb 1991
Gen Robert L. Rutherford, 26 Jan 1993
Gen John G. Lorber, 12 Oct 1994
Gen Richard B. Myers, 7 Jul 1997
Gen Patrick K. Gamble, 23 Jul 1998
LTG Lansford E. Trapp (Acting), 9 Apr 2001
Gen William J. Begert, 4 May 2001
Gen Paul V. Hester, 2 Jul 2004
Gen Carrol H. Chandler, 30 Nov 2007
Gen Gary L. North, 19 Aug 2009
Lt. Gen. Lori Robinson

Gen. Lori Robinson assumed command of Pacific Air Forces from Gen. Hawk Carlisle during a ceremony at JB Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, 2014

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OPERATIONS

PACAF's primary mission is to provide ready air and space power to promote U.S. interests in the Asia-Pacific region during peacetime, through crisis and in war.

PACAF's area of responsibility extends from the west coast of the United States to the east coast of Africa and from the Arctic to the Antarctic, more than 100 million square miles. The area is home to nearly two billion people who live in 44 countries. PACAF maintains a forward presence to help ensure stability in the region

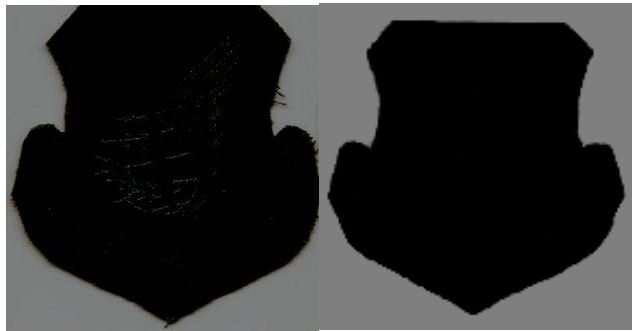
On 15 June 1944, the Commander in Chief, Southwest Pacific Area, established Far East Air Forces (Provisional) at Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, as the single air headquarters in the Southwest Pacific Area. It became Far East Air Forces on 20 June when the new command received War Department approval of its designation, and was formally activated on 3 August.

FEAF was established from the assets of Fifth and Thirteenth Air Forces, with the commander and bulk of the staff coming from Fifth. It consolidated all US air units in the Southwest Pacific Area under a single air headquarters.

After World II, FEAF and 5th Air Force remained in Japan, while 7th Air Force operated from Hawaii, and 13th Air Force from the Philippines. In the post-war years, FEAF was designated the

theater air force for the Far East Command. All air forces in the Far East and Southwest Pacific were placed under one Air Force commander for the first time.

In 1992, changes took place in force structure within PACAF as the command assumed control of theater-based tactical airlift wings, theater C-130 aircraft and crews, and associated theater C-130 support. PACAF also gained control of all operational support aircraft and all aeromedical airlift assets in the Pacific.





Air Force Order of Battle

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