## SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMUNICATIONS REGION

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LINEAGE Southeast Asia Communications Region

**STATIONS** 

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

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**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

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## **OPERATIONS**

To unite the expanding number of AFCS detachments in Thailand and South Vietnam, Headquarters AFCS established the Southeast Asia Communications Region on 8 January 1962, with headquarters Clark AB, Philippines. Immediately following the creation of this region, requirements for fixed, rather than mobile communication and electronic, equipment were identified for several locations in Southeast Asia, including Tan Son Nhut, Don Muang, Bien Hoa, Pleiku, Nha Tran, and Da Nang. In response, on 1 May 1962, AFCS activated the 1964th Communications Squadron at Tan Son Nhut, South Vietnam. Lt Col Kenneth Keyte was its first commander. In October, this unit was elevated to group level and was given responsibility for four detachments in Vietnam and two in Thailand. As air operations increased in Southeast Asia, and as it became apparent that extended use of contingency gear was inefficient, efforts increased in 1963 to transfer most navigational aids and air traffic control facilities from the 1st Mobile Communications Group to the 1964th Communications Group.

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