146 SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE
146 Weapons Systems Security Flight
146 Security Forces Flight
146 Security Forces Squadron

STATIONS
Van Nuys, CA
Channel Islands ANGS, Port Hueneme, CA

ASSIGNMENTS
146 Security Forces Squadron

COMMANDERS
WO4 Robert M. Robb, #1974
Cpt James E. McDonald

HONORS
Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS
More than 40 Airmen of the 146th Security Forces Flight deployed 18 Oct for a six-month tour in Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Airmen, who are trained in various areas of law enforcement, will be conducting routine air base defense. The first leg of their deployment took them to Fort Dix, N.J., for premobilization combat skills training. "I know it is difficult to leave your families, especially for extended periods of time, and how hard it is on the family members to be left without their husband, wife, father or mother," said Col. Paul Hargrove, commander of the 146th AW. "We all wish them a safe deployment and look forward to their quick and safe return." Chief Master Sgt. Steve Timbol, security forces manager, said he was impressed by how the wing came together as a team to overcome last-minute changes and obstacles. "We had one girl who stepped up as a last-minute substitution, and we had her ready to go in two days' time," he said. "People worked on their days off, and were even stitching the rank on her new desert uniforms as she went through the deployment line." The Security Forces Flight deployed in 2007 to Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq, and provided armed security in a hostile environment, responding to more than 20 rocket attacks while reinforcing the base perimeter. The Airmen received the governor's Outstanding Unit Award in 2007 and again upon their return in 2008.

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