# 11 FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON



#### **MISSION**

### LINEAGE

11 Pursuit Squadron (Interceptor) constituted, 20 Nov 1940 Activated, 15 Jan 1941 Redesignated 11 Fighter Squadron, 15 May 1942 Redesignated 11 Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 10 Oct 1952 Activated, 1 Dec 1952 Inactivated, Sep 1968

### **STATIONS**

Selfridge Field, MI, 15 Jan 1941 Key Field, MS, 3 Oct-19 Dec 1941

Elmendorf Field, AK, 29 Dec 1941 (dets at Ft Randall, AK, 25 May-1 Sep 1942 and Fort Glen, AK 26 May-Jun 1942)

Ft Glenn, AK, Jun 1942

Adak, AK, 20 Feb 1943 (dets at Amchitka, AK, 27 Mar-17 May 1943, and 23 Mar 1944-20 Jul 1945)

Shemya, AK 11 Aug 1945-15 Aug 1946 Duluth IAP, MN, 1 Dec 1952

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

50 Pursuit Group, 15 Jan 1941 Western Theater of Operations, 30 Dec 1941 28 Composite Group, 2 Feb 1942 XI Fighter Command, 7 Jun 1942 343 Fighter Group, 11 Sep 1942-15 Aug 1946 31 Air Division, 1 Dec 1952 515 Air Defense Group, 16 Feb 1953 343 Fighter Group, 18 Aug 1955

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Provisional Interceptor Command, Alaska, 2 Jan 1942

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

P-35, 1941

P-36, 1941-1942

P-40, 1941-1945

P-38, 1943-1946

F-51, 1952-1953

F-86, 1953-1955

F-89, 1955-1956

F-102, 1956-1960

F-106, 1960

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### **COMMANDERS**

Maj Jack Chennault

#### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

## **Campaigns Streamers**

Aleutian Islands

Air Combat, Asiatic-Pacific Theater

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations** 

**EMBLEM** 





On a sky blue disc, edged black, a charging red bull, highlights white, outline, horns and detail black, with lightning flashes of the fourth issuing from his nostrils, over a stylized white cloud issuing from base, outlined black. (Approved, 30 Nov 1954)

### **MOTTO**

Inferne Ibimus Red Bulls

## **OPERATIONS**

In 1942, the 11th Fighter Squadron fighters, based at Otter Point on the east end of Umnak Island, intercepted and shot down five Japanese aircraft.

During the first half of 1955 the 11th FIS converted to F-89Ds, having twenty-eight on hand by the end of June. At this time they were assigned to the 515th Air Defense Group, 31st Air Division. During June 1956 they had twenty-three F-89Ds, but right after that they began conversion to F-102As and by the end of October they had disposed of the last of their Scorpions and were combat ready in the F-102.

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