

27 DEPOT REPAIR SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

27 Depot Repair Squadron

STATIONS

Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
ElSavador, Philippines

ASSIGNMENTS

27 Air Depot Group

COMMANDERS

Capt George C. Ford, #1945

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Combat overhaul, repair, and modification of General George G. Kenney's fighter aircraft is the mission of the 27th Depot Repair Squadron. Within less than a week after their arrival at Port Moresby, Repair Squadron personnel commenced construction of the Depot Engineering Section. Three weeks later the first P-39 repaired by the Depot went into the air against the Nips over Port Moresby. Men of Repair Squadron are credited with many achievements, which include the

modification of aircraft for skip bombing; alteration and improvement of P-47 landing gears; manufacture of a new bracket for mounting radar equipment on aircraft; development of a plastic tank for processing X-ray film; invention of the three barrel washing machine; installation of the first P-47 belly tank; designing and construction of C-47 loading ramps, and the construction of the first B-25 camera mount. The officers and enlisted men of the 27th Depot Repair Squadron carried out their mission at Port Moresby under most trying conditions in exemplary fashion and are today highly regarded for their continued efforts and devotion to duty.

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