

6493 AERIAL PORT SQUADRON (PROVISIONAL)

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The aerial port apparatus under the 6493d Aerial Port Squadron (Provisional), set up in late 1962, included 135 permanently assigned personnel, fifteen others in temporary assignments, and sixty-one Vietnamese and Thai nationals used for unskilled tasks. Most were assigned to the major ports at Tan Son Nhut and Bangkok.

A new combat cargo group was to be established in Southeast Asia, manned by permanently assigned personnel. The combat cargo group would establish operational control over Air Force

troop carrier and aerial port units in Vietnam and Thailand. Pending activation of permanent units, PACAF on September 21 set up temporary units at Tan Son Nhut the 6492d Combat Cargo Group (Troop Carrier), Provisional, and 6493d Aerial Port Squadron, Provisional.

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