

PACIFIC ELECTRONIC SECURITY DIVISION

MISSION

Pacific Electronic Security Division Responsibility encompasses the Pacific basin and Alaska. Pacific Electronic Security Division is Electronic Security Command's intermediate headquarters for the Pacific and Alaskan theaters.

LINEAGE

Pacific Electronic Security Division

STATIONS

Hickam AFB, HI

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col Robert S. Andress

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

ESC's first headquarters in Hawaii was the Pacific Security Region activated in 1962 at Wheeler AFB. In 1977 the region moved to Hickam AFB and was designated Electronic Security Pacific. In 1986 it was redesignated Pacific Electronic Security Division. PESD assumed responsibility for the day-to-day operations of Alaskan-based units May 1, 1988.

PESD's area of responsibility encompasses the Pacific basin and Alaska with more than 3,000 personnel who operate four groups, three squadrons, two detachments and several operating locations. Everyone assigned enjoys the challenge of working every aspect of ESC's traditional mission, as well as the newer roles of electronic combat and communications/computer security.

The organizations that make up PESO are scattered from Hawaii to Alaska to the Philippines and have an immense diversity of programs and projects. Although PESD's formal structure is based on a functional alignment of duties, the small staff demands that members stay up-to-date on all activities.

The PESD staff and cryptologic support group work side-by-side with PACAF action officers and provides expertise and assistance to the commanders-in-chief of Pacific Command and Alaskan Air Command. Involved in many exercises, PESD supports two highly visible ones, Team Spirit in South Korea and Cope Thunder in the Philippines. The annual Team Spirit exercise provides an opportunity to integrate the full spectrum of electronic combat alternatives and tactical operations into existing command and control structures. At each Cope Thunder, PESD assists PACAF in training all its aircrews in an electronic combat area.

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