

# **PANAMA INTERCEPTOR COMMAND**

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Panama Interceptor Command

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A direct outgrowth of the former Caribbean Interceptor Command, that organization was redesignated as the Caribbean Air Force Interceptor Command by authority of General Order No.8, CAP dated 18 September 1941. It was again redesignated as the Panama Interceptor Command on 13 December 1941.

The Panama Interceptor Command gradually declined in importance as the threat of a Japanese attack faded and was eventually superseded altogether by the XXVI Fighter Command.

Panama Interceptor Command had undertaken pursuit patrols during the first four months of the war using about one-third of the airworthy aircraft, flying at dawn and dusk over the entire Canal Zone area. Additional aircraft were maintained on ground alert during these periods, both day and night.

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