

18 MAINTENANCE GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

18 Maintenance and Supply Group established, 10 Aug 1948
Activated, 14 Aug 1948
Inactivated, 1 Oct 1957
Disestablished, 27 Sep 1984
Reestablished and redesignated 18 Logistics Group and activated, 1 Oct 1991
Redesignated 18 Maintenance Group, 19 Aug 2002

STATIONS

Clark AB, Luzon, Philippines, 14 Aug 1948
Pusan AB, South Korea, 1 Dec 1950
Pyongyang East, North Korea, 1 Dec 1950
Suwon AB, South Korea, c. 4 Dec 1950
Chinhae, South Korea, 9 Dec 1950
Kadena AB, Ryukyu Islands, 30 Oct 1954
Yontan Auxiliary AB, Ryukyu Islands, 10 Nov 1954
Kadena, AB, Ryukyu Islands, 12 Dec 1954-1 Oct 1957
Kadena AB, Japan, 1 Oct 1991

ASSIGNMENTS

18 Fighter Wing (later 18 Fighter-Bomber Wing), 14 Aug 1948-1 Oct 1957

ATTACHMENTS

24 Airdrome Wing, 5 Oct-17 Dec 1949
6208 Depot Wing, 17 Dec 1949-1 Sep 1950
18 Wing, 1 Oct 1991

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Korea

CCF Intervention 1950-1951

First UN Counteroffensive 1951

CCF Spring Offensive 1951

UN Summer-Fall Offensive 1951

Second Korean Winter 1951-1952

Korea, Summer-Fall 1952

Third Korean Winter 1952-1953

Korea Summer 1953

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

[1 Oct] 1991-31 May 1993

1 Jun 1993-31 Aug 1994

1 Sep 1994-31 Aug 1995

1 Sep 1995-31 Aug 1997

1 Oct 1998-30 Sep 2000

1 Oct 2000-14 Aug 2002

1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2005-30 Sep 2007

31 Oct 2009-[1 Nov] 2010

2 Nov 2010-1 Nov 2012

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation

1 Dec 1950-31 Jan 1951

1 Feb 1951-31 Mar 1953

EMBLEM

Group will use the wing emblem with the group designation in the scroll.

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Lt. Colonel Conrad Diehl originally headed up this vital section that has played such an important part in the Wing's progress and development. One weary supply officer once

commented that his line of work was about like "running three hardware stores without any help and a scrambled inventory".

We don't say there haven't been times when "scrambled" might have been used to describe our state of affairs but in all the trekking up and down Korea, we've always managed to keep the planes flying, food in the larder, and roofs over our collective heads.

Today we can bask in comparative stateside comforts and at the same time extract a lot of personal satisfaction in that we were instrumental in establishing our "fat" living conditions.

We still handle everything from near-microscopic rivets to tank-size road graders, not to mention the flood of paper work and recurring reports. A lot of the old timers have returned to the ZI, but the hardships, discomforts, laughs, and tears we have all shared forged a bond of friendship and camaraderie that time will never tarnish.

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