

## 502<sup>nd</sup> AIR OPERATIONS GROUP



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

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### STATIONS

Pope AFB, NC, 27 Jun 1949-27 Aug 1950

Taegu, South Korea, 6 Dec 1950-19 Jun 1951

Pusan, South Korea---24 September 1950 through 3 October 1950

Taegu, South Korea---3 October 1950 through 11 October 1950

Seoul, South Korea---11 October 1950 through 20 December 1950.

Taegu, South Korea---20 December 1950 through 15 June 1951

Seoul, South Korea---15 June 1951 until the end on the war.

Hickam AFB, HI

### ASSIGNMENTS

### COMMANDERS



Col Frank L. Adams (USAF photo)

Col William. P. McBride, Jul 1950-18 Feb 1951

Col Henry Rieva, 18 Feb 1951-3 May 1952

Col Francis R Delaney, 3 May 1952-25 Jul 1952

Col Ernest J. White, Jr., 25 Jul 1952-15 Jun 1953

Col Hugh C. Moore, 15 Jun 1953

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

UN Offensive

CCF Intervention

First UN Counteroffensive

CCF Spring Offensive

UN Summer-Fall Offensive

Second Korean Winter 1951-52

Korea, Summer-Fall 1952

Third Korean Winter 1952-53

Korea, Summer 1953

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citations

November 3, 1950-April 21, 1951

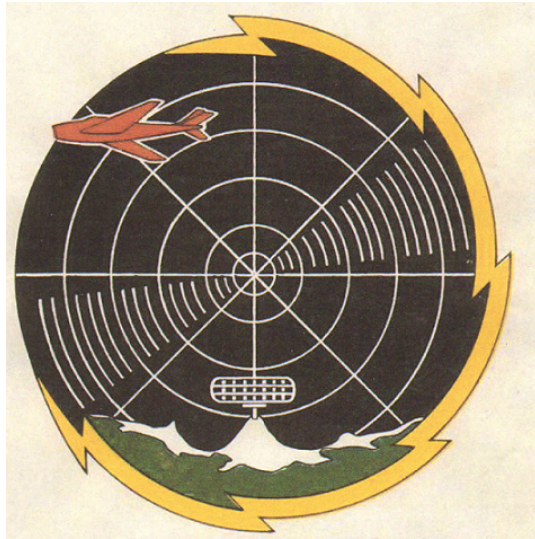
May 1-November 30, 1952.

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citations

September 16, 1950-January 25, 1951

January 25, 1951-March 31, 1953, and  
October 1, 1952-July 27, 1953

## EMBLEM



502<sup>nd</sup> Tactical Control Group: Argent a disk Sable divided into five concentric rings and eight segments by division lines Vert in dexter chief on and over the disk an aircraft Gules fimbriated of the first in base on the disk a radar screen of the like and second mounted on a mountain White and of the third, a lightning flash pointed at both ends Or outlined in Black forming an increscent on and over the edge of the disk. (Approved, 25 Aug 1953)

502<sup>nd</sup> Air Operations Group emblem: Argent, a disk Sable divided into five concentric rings and eight segments by division lines Vert, in dexter chief on and over the disk an aircraft Gules fimbriated of the first, in base on the disk a radar screen of the like and second mounted on a mountain White and of the third, a lightning flash pointed at both ends Or outlined in Black forming an increscent on and over the edge of the disk, all within a diminished bordure Yellow. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "502D AIR OPERATIONS GROUP" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The grid background symbolizes the deployability of the Group and its readiness to move to any part of the world when and if needed. The lightning streak circling the grid is symbolic of the speed in which the Group can relocate and set up operations. The radar antenna and the aircraft indicate the mission of the unit, the command and control of air, space and information operations. The most common location of radar units is denoted by the mountain peak in the emblem.

## MOTTO

## NICKNAME

## OPERATIONS