

# HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON, 15 AIR BASE GROUP (REINFORCED)

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

80 Aero Squadron organized, 1 Mar 1918

Demobilized, 22 Sep 1919

80 Observation Squadron constituted in the Regular Army and allotted to the Eighth Corps Area, 18 Oct 1927

Redesignated 80 Service Squadron, 8 May 1929

Activated, 15 Nov 1930

80 Aero Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 80 Service Squadron, 24 Aug 1932.  
Consolidated unit designated 80 Service Squadron

Reorganized and redesignated Base Headquarters and 15 Air Base Squadron, 1 Sep 1937

Redesignated Base Headquarters and 15 Air Base Squadron (2 Group), 6 Dec 1939

Redesignated Base Headquarters and 15 Air Base Squadron (Double), 1 Feb 1940

Reorganized and redesignated, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 15 Air Base Group (Reinforced), 1 Sep 1940

Disbanded, 1 Nov 1943

## STATIONS

Waco Field, TX

Post Field, OK

Mather Field, CA

Albrook Field, CZ

## ASSIGNMENTS

20 Pursuit Group

## COMMANDERS

Lt Col Benjamin G. Weir, 1 Sep 1937

Lt Col Willis H. Hale, 11 Jul 1938

Lt Col Adlai H. Gilkeson, 31 Aug 1939-1 Sep 1940

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Regular Army on 18 October 1927 as the 80th Observation Squadron and allotted to the Eighth Corps Area (see 80th Observation Squadron Chapter 31). Redesignated as the 80th Service Squadron on 8 May 1929 and assigned to the 20th Pursuit Group. Activated on 15 November 1930 at Mather Field, CA, with personnel from the Air Corps Detachment, Mather Field. Consolidated on 24 August 1932 with the 80th Aero Squadron (a WWI unit organized on 1 March 1918 at Waco Field, TX; demobilized on 22 September 1919 at Post Field, OK; reconstituted on 24 August 1932). Sailed from San Francisco for the Panama Canal on the U.S.A.T. Gen. U.S. Grant about 15 October 1932. Arrived at Balboa, CZ, on 24 October 1932 and transferred to Albrook Field, CZ, the same day. Reorganized and redesignated Base Headquarters and 15th Air Base Squadron on 1 September 1937. Redesignated on 6 December 1939 as Base Headquarters and 15th Air Base Squadron (2 Group). Redesignated on 1 February 1940 as Base Headquarters and 15th Air Base Squadron (Double). Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1940 as HHS, 15th Air Base Group (Reinforced). Disbanded on 1 November 1943.

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