

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Lineage and Honors

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 42d INFANTRY DIVISION (RAINBOW)

Constituted 14 August 1917 in the National Guard as Headquarters, 42d Division

Organized 5 September 1917 at Camp Mills, New York

Demobilized 9 May 1919 at Camp Dix, New Jersey

Reconstituted 5 February 1943 in the Army of the United States as Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division

Activated 14 July 1943 at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma

Inactivated 29 June 1946 in Austria

Reorganized and Federally recognized 31 March 1947 in the New York National Guard at New York

Ordered into active Federal service 24 March 1970 at New York; released from active Federal service 30 March 1970 and reverted to state control

Location changed 1 December 1989 to Troy; Headquarters Company concurrently organized from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 205th Support Group (See ANNEX)

Ordered into active Federal service 24 May 2004 at Troy; released from active Federal service 19 December 2005 and reverted to state control

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 42d INFANTRY DIVISION (RAINBOW)

Consolidated 1 September 2006 with Detachment 1, 42d Armored Division Artillery (organized and Federally recognized 25 January 2002 at Troy), and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters, 42d Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 September 2011 in the New York and New Jersey Army National Guard as Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 42d Infantry Division

ANNEX

Organized 21 June 1916 in the New York National Guard at Troy as Headquarters Company, 2d Infantry Regiment

Mustered into Federal service 1 July 1916 at Troy; mustered out of Federal service 23 October 1916 at Troy

Mustered into Federal service 31 March 1917 at Troy; drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Reorganized and redesignated 1 October 1917 as Headquarters Company, 105th Infantry, an element of the 27th Division

Demobilized 1 April 1919 at Camp Upton, New York

Reorganized and Federally recognized 15 January 1920 in the New York National Guard at Troy as Headquarters Company, 2d Infantry

Redesignated 1 June 1921 as Headquarters Company, 105th Infantry

(105th Infantry assigned 17 November 1921 to the 27th Division [later redesignated as the 27th Infantry Division])

Inducted into Federal service 15 October 1940 at Troy

Inactivated 31 December 1945 at Fort Lawton, Washington

Reorganized and Federally recognized 4 March 1947 at Troy

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 42d INFANTRY DIVISION (RAINBOW)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1955 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Combat Command A, 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 16 March 1959 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade, 27th Armored Division

Converted and redesignated 1 February 1968 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 205th General Support Group, and relieved from assignment to the 27th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 December 1971 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 205th Support Group

HOME STATION: Troy (less detachments at Buffalo, Staten Island, and Lawrenceville, New Jersey)

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I
Champagne-Marne
Aisne-Marne
St. Mihiel
Meuse-Argonne
Champagne 1918
Lorraine 1918

World War II
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

War on Terrorism

Iraq:
Iraqi Governance

HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 42d INFANTRY DIVISION (RAINBOW)

Headquarters and Support Company (Troy) additionally entitled to:

World War I
Somme Offensive
Ypres-Lys
Flanders 1918

World War II
Central Pacific
Western Pacific
Ryukyus

DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2005

Headquarters and Support Company (Troy) entitled to:

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered SAIPAN

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

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