WAR DEPARTMENT,

RULES FOR TRACING HISTORY OF UNITS.

It has come to the attention of the War Department that there is some divergence of understanding in regard to the method of tracing the history of troop units. To settle the practice, the following rule is announced for the guidance of all concerned:

The numerical designation of a troop unit does not in itself entitle that unit to inherit the history of any previous unit having that number; the organization itself will be traced through all its changes, regardless of number.

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