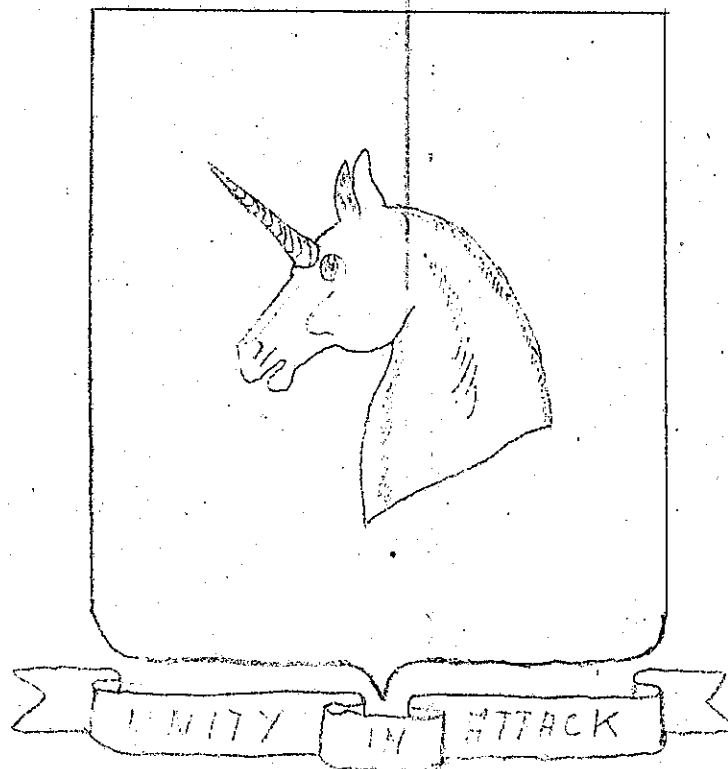


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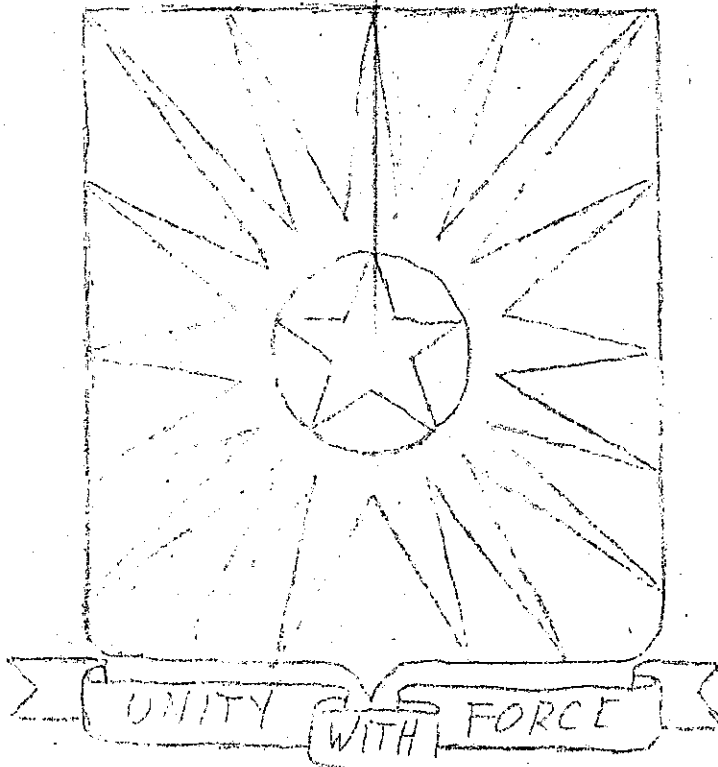


MOTTO Unity in attack.

SHIELD Sable with, in honor point, a unicorns head, or.

DESCRIPTION The head of the golden unicorn represents the influence of the Group in direction the strength of its battalions to one mission, indicated by the single horn. The unicorn being specially picked as a mythical creature well suited to symbolize self propelled power. The motto, on an artillery red scroll, stresses that fact that the strength of the Group depends on the combined strength of its battalions.

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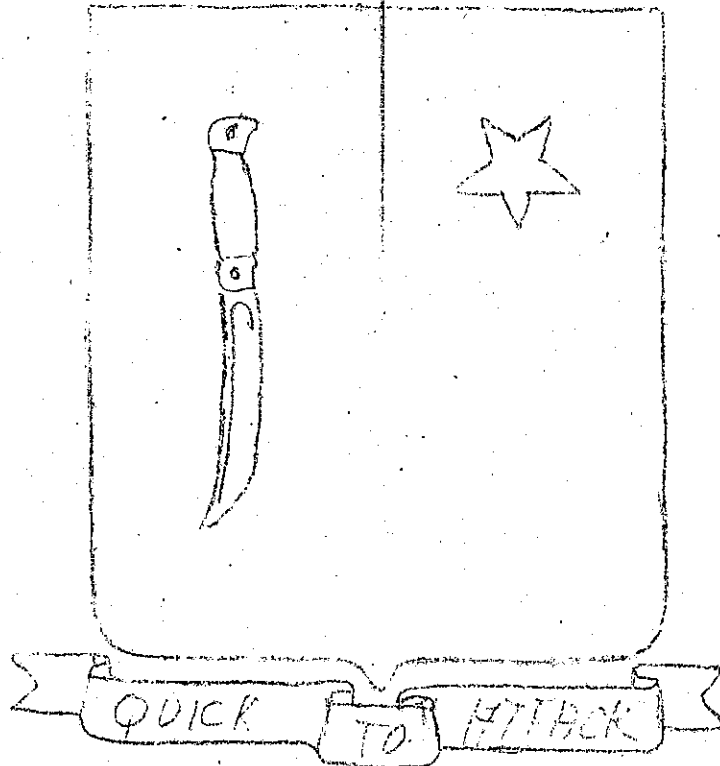
MOTTO Unity with force

SHIELD Sable with, in honor point, a mullet or, emitting 17 rays, or.

DESCRIPTION The star in gold, represents the Lone Star State of Texas, the place in which we were activated. The seventeen rays indicate the number of the group, and by extending out in all directions shows that we are ready to go anywhere. The motto on a gold scroll indicates that the battalions united with the group obtain combined force in action.

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MOTTO Quick to attack.

SHIELD Sable with, on dexter side, a bowie knife, or, and in sinister chief, a mullet, or.

DESCRIPTION The gold charges, a bowie knife and a five pointed star, on a black field (Tank Destroyer colors) are indicative of the fact that the 17th Tank Destroyer Group was activated at Camp Bowie, Texas (Lone Star State). The bowie knife is also symbolic of the tank destroyer group's ability to make quick, slashing attacks with its battalions. The motto, on an artillery red scroll, also implies this quality.

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IN REPLY REFER TO SPOED 421.4
(17th Tank Destroyer Group)

29 June 1943.

SUBJECT: Organizational Standard or Color for 17th Tank Destroyer Group.

TO: Commanding Officer, 17th Tank Destroyer Group,
Camp Hood, Texas.



1. Reference is made to correspondence from your office of April 14, 1943, addressed to The Adjutant General, Washington, D. C., subject: Distinctive Insignia 17th Tank Destroyer Group, which was forwarded to this office by 3rd Indorsement, AG 421.7 - 17th TD Gp (4-14-43) CB-7, The Adjutant General's Office, May 1, 1943. No action will be taken upon this correspondence pending decision as to whether Tank Destroyer groups or the battalions comprising the groups are to carry organizational standards.

For The Quartermaster General:

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