



70TH DIVISION (TRAINING) ANNUAL HISTORICAL REPORT COMMANDER'S SUMMARY

INACTIVATIONS/REORGANIZATIONS

On 15 January 1995, the Division completed, on schedule, the inactivation of the 1st and the 4th Brigades along with four Infantry, One Station Unit Training (OSUT), battalions (3d Battalion 329th Regiment, 3d Battalion, 330th Regiment, 3d Battalion, 333d Regiment and 3d Battalion, 423d Regiment). The two remaining battalions in each of the brigades transferred to the command and control (C2) of the 2d and 3d Brigades leaving 1st and 2d Battalions, 330th Regiment and 1st and 2d Battalions, 333d Regiment under the 2d Brigade and 1st and 2d Battalions, 329th Regiment and 1st and 2d Battalions, 423d Regiment under the 3d Brigade. All soldiers wishing reassignments transferred primarily within the Division to new authorized assignments. The Training Support Brigade (TSB) and the 5089th Reception Battalion remained intact.

Upon completing the above action, we received notice of continued downsizing. The 70th Division Headquarters, three brigade headquarters, two OSUT battalions, the Reception Battalion, the 2d Battalion, TSB and the Drill Sergeant School would be eliminated NLT 15 November 1996. A new OSUT brigade and a Training Support Brigade battalion would be activated and the remaining six OSUT battalions would be under the C2 of the 84th Division. Planning of this difficult mission commenced immediately. By October 1995, the plan was in place and our orders published. The mission commenced in the first quarter of FY96 by conducting transition briefings and realigning the majority of soldiers from the Indiana units. The 2d Battalion, 329th Regiment; 2d Battalion, TSB and the 3d Brigade Headquarters began their inactivation process.

TRAINING

Through all the turmoil of restructuring, missions still had to be met. Our soldiers not only met, but in most tasks exceeded standards and received accolades from Fort Benning and Fort Bragg.

The 70th Division had drill sergeants on the ground at Fort Benning during 44 out of 52 weeks in 1995. The OSUT companies commanded E Company through three Initial Entry Training (IET) cycles, training Regular Army soldiers for infantry missions around the world in primary skills of 11B, 11C, 11H and 11M.

The TSB provided over 150 instructors to teach all IET students in basic infantry skills and weapons training.

The 5089th Reception Battalion established a unique computer network training program to mirror the identical system used by Fort Benning facilitating year round training for the battalion. The battalion performed admirably during the surge season at Fort Benning, able to provide the same level of expertise in processing as the active component. As usual, the units received accolades for excellence.



The TSB also provided instructors and support personnel (150) for the ROTC summer training program at Fort Bragg. Their instruction on Common Task Skills received high commendations.

Personnel not required for the above mission voluntarily provided assistance to the Junior ROTC program at the Fort Custer Military Training Center.

OPERATIONS

Mobilization

Emphasis for the year was mobilization readiness. Two unique programs commenced in earnest and achieved outstanding results.

The 70th established the Mobilization Troop Command with the Emergency Operation Center at Fort Benning using a derivative UIC. The Division Headquarters broke out key soldiers from the staff to activate at Fort Benning to provide C2 and to coordinate training and evaluation for all Reserve Forces units mobilizing for deployment or for base expansion. Although the Division was never given the operational mission, the TDA developed was the basis for the garrison spaces for this mission. More importantly, the documents created included Standing Operating Procedures as well as the "Handbook" for deploying units that was used with tremendous success for the initial deployment of soldiers to Germany and to Bosnia.

For the first time in the Division history, the operations section wrote and executed mobilization exercises at battalion and brigade levels. This hands-on training event actually required the units to process all personnel and equipment loads according to the units' mobilization file and to depart to their mobilization station. As a result, many deficiencies in the mobilization file, soldiers' mobilization packets and their MPRJs were corrected. For the first time, the exercises involved the units' family members and the Division Family Support Group members were part of the Instruction/Evaluation Team.

FAMILY SUPPORT

The Family Support Program reached an all time high for the Division. We established a program in every battalion and brigade. Forty-five personnel from throughout the division were trained at the Regional Family Support Academy in Dearborn, Michigan. Additionally, during mobilization exercises at four battalions and one brigade headquarters, family support civilian personnel were trained by the Division Headquarters civilian family members on mobilization requirements and "how to" establish family assistance teams after mobilization of their unit.

TOTAL ARMY QUALITY (TAQ)

This Division completed a very significant training program with the senior leadership of the command on Total Army Quality. As a result, tremendous advances were made in budget, schools and caring for soldiers, based upon feedback from subordinate units. No new projects for process action teams were established due to inactivation of the headquarters. However, subordinate units know and understand how TAQ works and functions of process action teams.



BUDGET

As a Tier 5 organization, the division headquarters had to find alternate means to accomplish goals and mission. Through more defined budget guidance and input from lower echelons, the division was able to meet all OPTEMPO requirements for training and mission. Through thorough review and constant monitoring of obligated funds, as well as recovery of unexpended commitments, the division was able to reduce deobligation at end of the year by over 90% - a savings of over \$200K, which assured mission readiness.

CHANGES OF COMMAND

The 2d Brigade, 70th Division held a change of command 10 June 1995. The colors passed from COL Ronald Sharp to COL David Herring.

KEY PERSONNEL

Commander	MG Bruce G. MacDonald
Deputy Commander	COL John G. Kulhavi
Chief of Staff	COL Charles S. Johnson
Command Sergeant Major	CSM Jeffery J. McCracken
Command Executive Officer	Mr. Marvin L. Anthony
Historical Liaison Officer	MAJ Jeffery P. Kohlitz