

WE WENT TO WAR

Part X: Why We Were There

*The Background of Our Service,
Why We Were in the Southwest Pacific Area:
A Review*

380th Bomb Group - World War II



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APPENDICES

APPENDIX X

Orders to Northern Territory for Ground Staff

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HEADQUARTERS
FIFTH AIR FORCE
APO 925

20 May, 1943.
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Date 20 May, 1943.

TROOP MOVEMENT DIRECTIVE)
NUMBER.....32)

1. The 380th Bomb Group (H), (less Air Echelon) is directed to prepare for movement from Sydney, New South Wales, to Fenton, Northern Territory. Immediate preparation for this movement will be inaugurated to insure the proper equipage and ability of the unit to move on further orders.

2. Initiation of this movement will be effected by a USAFFE Administrative Troop Movement Directive, or by instructions from the Commanding General, Fifth Air Force.

3. Upon receipt of further instructions, the Commanding Officer of the 380th Bomb Group (H), will contact the Commanding General, Base Section 7, for the necessary instructions pertaining to this move.

4. This will be a permanent change of station.

5. Logistical Data, approximate:

<u>Personnel</u>	<u>Organizational Equipment</u>
56 Off	1350 Ship tons
1 W.O.	110 Long tons
1140 E.M.	

6. All organizational equipment (except vehicles) and thirty (30) days of supplies will be taken.

7. Transportation will be by water.

8. The Commanding Officer of the 380th Bomb Group (H) will report to this Headquarters, "Attention A-4 Transportation", time and date of departure prior to departure, and time and date of arrival immediately upon arrival at destination.

9. Unit report of change will be submitted to the Second Machine Records Unit (Mobile), Base Section No. 3, (PO 923), in accordance with Paragraph 18b, AR 345-800.

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