

89TH MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE



Shoulder Sleeve Insignia



**Combat Service
Identification Badge**



Distinctive Unit Insignia

Shoulder Sleeve Insignia. Description: On a disc 3 inches (7.62 cm) in diameter, within a 1/8 inch (.32 cm) yellow border, nine vertical alternating green and yellow stripes and centered thereon a scarlet eight-pointed star, bearing at center overall a white sword point up surmounted by a yellow dragon's head.

Symbolism: Yellow and green are the colors associated with Military Police. The star is symbolic of courage and law enforcement. The eight points and the nine stripes suggest the unit's numerical designation. The sword represents military justice, law and order. The dragon represents authority and guardianship and alludes to the unit's activation in the Republic of Vietnam.

Background: The shoulder sleeve insignia was approved on 20 October 1981. (TIOH Dwg. No. A-1-671)

COMBAT SERVICE IDENTIFICATION BADGE: A gold color metal and enamel device 2 inches (5.08 cm) in diameter consisting of a design similar to the shoulder sleeve insignia.

Distinctive Unit Insignia. Description: A gold color metal and enamel device 1 3/16 inches (3.02 cm) in height overall consisting of a green oriental dragon's head grasping in its mouth a stalk of gold bamboo fired a red flame at both ends and supporting an arched black scroll bearing the inscription "PROVEN IN BATTLE" in gold letters.

Symbolism: Gold and green are the colors used for the Military Police. The dragon, a fierce adversary, is the heraldic symbol for defender of the lawful leader, and denotes Vietnam, where the unit was activated. The black scroll represents law, jurisdiction and jurisprudence, and the flames allude to the unit's many combat engagements.

Background: The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for the 89th Military Police Group on 4 October 1968. It was redesignated for the 89th Military Police Brigade on 20 October 1981.