

# MARINE AIR COMMAND AND CONTROL SQUADRON OF THE YEAR



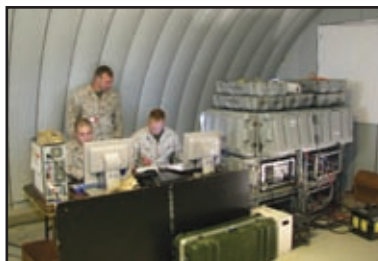
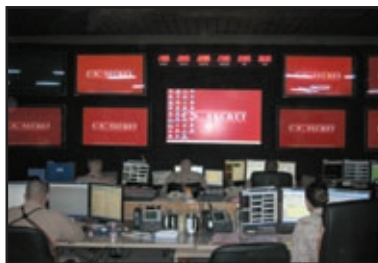
## THE EDWARD S. FRIS AWARD

Presented by THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION to

Established in Honor of Major General Edward S. Fris, a Pioneer in the Development of Marine Corps Aviation Command and Control.

In Recognition of The Most Outstanding Marine Air Command and Control Squadron in Marine Aviation.

### MTACS-38



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### Award Citation

Marine Tactical Command Squadron 38 provided outstanding leadership and made valuable contributions to aviation command and control in the conduct of Marine Corps, joint and coalition aviation operations from 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2009. During this period, MTACS-38 employed the Tactical Air Command Center (TACC) during deployed and garrison operations. Throughout their year-long tour in Iraq, MTACS-38 planned and executed over 35,000 aviation sorties, supporting coalition operations such as Defeat Al Qaeda in the North I and II, and the Al Anbar border initiative. MTACS-38's spirit and outstanding leadership spawned numerous initiatives, including significant architecture changes to the Iraqi common operational picture, implementation of a virtual work environment to enhance operational and staff activities, and the largest expansion of Theater Battle Management Core System utilization in the program's history. They successfully executed the first recorded tactical echelons of the TACC with no degradation in services, assuming the role of the MAGTF combat operations center. MTACS-38's drive, passion and commitment to excellence changed the face of command and control operations, and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.



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| 2008 MACS-2              | 1996 MTACS-28  |
| 2007 1st Stinger Battery | 1995 MWCS-18   |
| 2006 VMU-1               | 1994 MACS-4    |
| 2005 VMU-2               | 1993 MATCS-38, |
| 2004 MTACS-38            | 1992 MASS-1    |
| 2003 MACS-2              | 1991 2d LAAD   |
| 2002 MACS-4              | 1990 MASS-2    |
| 2001 MACS-24             | 1989 MASS-2    |
| 2000 2d LAAD             | 1988 3d LAAD   |
| 1999 MTACS-28            | 1987 MAGG-18   |
| 1998 MASS-1              | 1986 MACS-2    |
| 1997 MACS-6              | 1985 2d LAAM   |