

= 1st Sustainment Brigade ( United States ) =

The 1st Sustainment Brigade is a sustainment brigade of the United States Army based at Fort Riley , Kansas . It provides logistics support to the 1st Infantry Division .

Activated in 2007 , the unit is a modular brigade capable of a variety of actions . Though assigned to the 1st Infantry Division on a permanent basis , it is capable of independent operations and taking on subordinate units to fulfill large scale sustainment operations for the United States Army .

Formed from the Division Support Command of the 1st Infantry Division , the Brigade carries the lineage and honors of the division dating back to World War I campaigns as early as 1917 . Having also seen action in World War II , the Vietnam War , and the Gulf War , the brigade has numerous awards and decorations from its previous designation . The brigade has also seen three tours in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom .

= = Organization = =

The 1st Sustainment Brigade ( 1SB ) in garrison at Fort Riley is composed of four subordinate battalions . The 1st Special Troops Battalion ( STB ) contains a Headquarters and Headquarters Company ( HHC ) , 267th Signal Company , and the 24th Transportation Company . The 1st STB and the 541st Combat Sustainment Support Battalion are permanently assigned to the 1SB . The 1SB has an Administrative Control Minus ( ADCON- ) Training and Readiness ( TRA ) relationship with the 84th Explosive Ordnance Demolition ( EOD ) Battalion and the 1st Infantry Division Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion ( 1DHQB ) . Thanks to the brigade 's modular design , it is also capable of gaining additional subordinate units upon deployment to a theater of operations .

= = History = =

= = = Origins = = =

The 1st Infantry Division Support Command ( DISCOM ) traces its origins to World War I , where in 1917 , the Division Trains were formed to support the newly formed 1st Infantry Division . In 1921 , the Division trains were consolidated into the Special Troops , 1st Infantry Division . After World War I , the Special Troops deployed to Fort Riley , Kansas . Three of the DISCOM 's former subordinate battalions , the 101st Forward Support Battalion ( FSB ) and 201st Forward Support Battalions , and the 701st Main Support Battalion , served in World War I , but with different divisions .

These units deployed back to Germany to support the 1st Infantry Division during World War II , and participated in all eight campaigns credited to the 1st Infantry Division . In 1955 , the Division and its support organizations returned to Fort Riley , Kansas .

In 1965 , the division deployed to South Vietnam , as a part of the Vietnam War buildup . DISCOM units supported the Division in all of the eleven campaigns it participated in while deployed to South Vietnam .

After Vietnam , the DISCOM underwent many changes . The Division Material Management Center ( DMMC ) was established , and the Finance and Personnel Services Companies ( PSC ) were reorganized into battalion commands . In 1990 , the DISCOM deployed again , this time to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Desert Storm .

In 1996 , the DISCOM , deployed to Europe for a third time and consisted of the 101st FSB at Fort Riley , Kansas , the 201st FSB in Vilseck , Germany , the 701st MSB in Kitzingen , Germany , the 601st Aviation Support Battalion ( ASB ) in Katterbach , Germany , and the Headquarters and Headquarters Company ( HHC ) , also in Kitzingen .

= = = Operation Iraqi Freedom = = =

In 2003 , the DISCOM was deployed to Turkey in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom I. The

DISCOM simultaneously supported peacekeeping operations in the Balkans and deployed a logistics task force to support Operation Iraqi Freedom I throughout Iraq . In 2004 , the DISCOM redeployed to Southwest Asia in Support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II . In addition to the organic DISCOM units , the 225th Forward Support Battalion from Hawaii and the 230th Support Battalion from North Carolina deployed to support logistical operations for Task Force Danger . Finally , in 2005 , the DISCOM redeployed to Germany to reconstitute and prepare for future contingency operations . The DISCOM was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for its contributions during Operation Iraqi freedom II .

As of January 2006 , the DISCOM consisted of the 201st Field Support Battalion in Vilseck , Germany , the 701st Maneuver Support Battalion in Kitzingen , Germany , the 299th Field Support Battalion in Schweinfurt Germany , the 601st Aviation Support Battalion in Katterbach , Germany , and the Headquarters and Headquarters Company ( HHC ) , also in Kitzingen . Over the months between January 2006 and July 2006 the 601st [ 1 ] returned to Fort Riley , the 701st was inactivated , the 299th was task organized to the 2nd Brigade Combat Team in preparation for another deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom , and the 201st was task organized under the 3rd Brigade Combat Team and later deactivated . The DISCOM HHC was re @-@ deployed to Fort Riley Kansas in August 2006 to build the 1st Sustainment Brigade .

For a brief period , the DISCOM gained administrative control over the 97th Military Police Battalion , the 541st CSSB , the Band , and the 101st Military Intelligence Battalion . The 101st was in @-@ activated in December 2006 , the 541st and 97th were deployed and task organized away from the DISCOM .

In November 2006 , the brigade reviewed its own Shoulder Sleeve Insignia ( SSI ) and Distinctive Unit Insignia . These items were based heavily on the SSI of the 1st Infantry Division . Later that month , the Brigade was informed that it would be deployed to Iraq again in 2007 .

The 1st Sustainment Brigade ( SB ) was activated on 15 February 2007 at 10 : 00 am local time at Fort Riley , Kansas . It is a scalable tailorable Sustainment Brigade , with a mission statement of : Plans , synchronizes , monitors , and executes distribution operations . Conducts sustainment operations within assigned area of operation . Conducts Theater Opening and / or Theater Distribution operations when directed . Provides support to joint , interagency , and multinational forces as directed .

The brigade deployed to Iraq again in late 2007 , operating in the areas such as those around Central Iraq . The brigade 's headquarters during this time has been Camp Taji . The brigade made history on 16 June 2008 when it heralded the return of the battlefield promotion system in the US Army . The system , which was previously discontinued , was part of a pilot program that the Army was looking at to bring battlefield promotions back .

Soldiers of the brigade were also some of the first to use the MRAP , or Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle . The soldiers used the vehicles to train other soldiers on use of the vehicle , particularly leaders of the 10th Sustainment Brigade , which replaced the 1st Sustainment Brigade in late 2008 .

The 1st Sustainment Brigade provides a full spectrum support including : configuring for , distributions and retrogrades to and from maneuver Brigade Combat Teams , other support brigades , and to joint interagency and multinational elements as directed . The 1st SB supports Early Entry Operations or Hub operations with augmentation , providing postal , replacement , and casualty operations as well as essential personnel services and Trial Defense Services on an area basis . The brigade is assigned as the sustainment unit of the 1st Infantry Division , however it can also operate independently , being assigned other units and other missions independent of the division .

= = Honors = =

As it was a part of the 1st Infantry Division 's command , the Brigade received campaign participation credit and awards for all of the same conflicts as the Division Headquarters up until it became an independent unit in 2006 . Thereafter , it retained separate lineage .

== Unit Decorations ==

== Campaign Streamers ==