



## Port Security Unit (313)

**Active Duty Personnel:** 5  
**Reserve Personnel:** 126  
**Civilian Personnel:** 0

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**Established:** Port Security Unit (PSU) 313 was commissioned Dec. 12, 1998. PSU 313 is deployable to anywhere in the world and is self sustainable for 30 days. It has a command and control staff in addition to the divisions for boats, security, communications, weapons, engineering, logistics, food service and a medical staff. Currently there are six transportable security boats assigned with PSU 313. Transportable security boats are modified 25-foot fiberglass hull boats, also known as piranha.

**What we do:** PSU 313 is deployable anywhere in the world and maintains port security both during wartime and peacetime. PSU 313 can respond to any occupied foreign port and conduct security operations. PSU 313 can also maintain security for homeland ports when necessary.

**Accomplished Operations:** In Feb 2003, PSU 313 was deployed to support Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. They provided security for an Iraqi oil platform in Northern Iraq. PSU 313 has been previously called to service in Operation Desert Storm and in response to the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.



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