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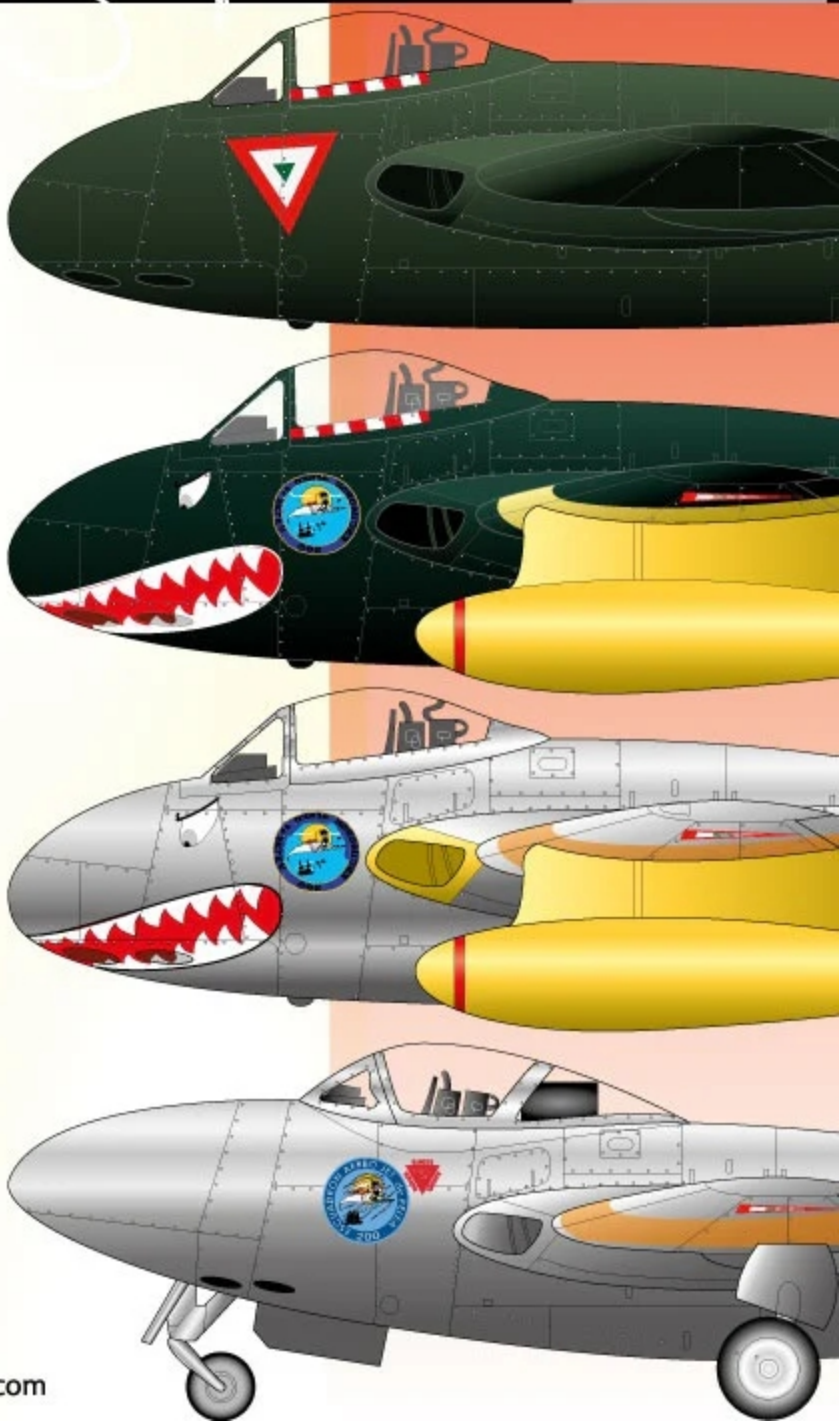

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1 De Havilland DH. 100 MK.III Vampire
FAM12 & FAM14
Fuerza Aérea Mexicana
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Approximate Colors for FAM12 & FAM14

FS 14062 Gloss — Check your references

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FAM1 & FAM4
Escuadrón Aéreo 200
Fuerza Aérea Mexicana
Base Aérea Militar No. 1, Santa Lucía — 1961

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"Day fighters of double purpose, assigned to missions of air defense and tactical support to ground units"

For a long time, the *Escuadrón* 200 was a **ghost squadron**, because only existed in paper, because of this, the Vampires adopted the ghost insignia that the FAM A-24 Banshee & AT-6 Texan wore, and also wore for the first time the shark mouth. The Mexican pilots had to familiarize with the Vampires through ground school training. In 1983, with the arrival of the 20 mm. cannons, Mexican technicians re-armed and reconfigured the Vampires.

Approximate Colors for Sharkmouth FAM1 & FAM4

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