

135 COMMUNICATION FLIGHT

MISSION

LINEAGE

135 Communications Flight, 1966-1982

STATIONS

Warfield ANGB, Middle River, MD

ASSIGNMENTS

135 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Maj Paul Maas

Maj Barbara Lee

Maj Leslie Edwards

Maj. William Simpson

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The unit, currently manned over 90 strong, was originally established on June 8, 1966 to support the flying unit. Its early responsibilities included operating the Communications Center with bulky paper tape punches and IBM Card Readers, running the base switchboard and the repair of telephones and radios. During the eighties, comm expanded to include all data processing activities, thus being in the primary position for ushering in the computer age. With the emergence and wide spread use of personal computers, e-mail and the Internet, comm's role has become more critical than ever. Members have supported NATO operations in Europe, played the role of peacekeepers in Southwest Asia and have made a number of international trips in support of the regular Air Force's communication needs.

In November 1965, the 135th Materiel Squadron was reorganized and divided into the 135th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and the 135th Supply Squadron. On June 8, 1966, the 135th Communications Flight was federally recognized, replacing the 135th Combat Support Squadron's communications section. The new unit was attached to the 135th ACG for support, but actually fell under the command of the Air Force Communications Service (AFCS).

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