

1850 AIRBORNE COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

1850 Airborne Information Systems Squadron designated and activated, 1 Jul 1984
Redesignated 1850 Airborne Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986
Inactivated

STATIONS

Offutt AFB, Nebraska

ASSIGNMENTS

1 Aerospace Communications Group (later, 1 Aerospace Information Systems Wing; 1 Aerospace Communications Wing)

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Donald E. Coates, 1 Jul 1984
Maj Geraldine C. Ford, 14 May 1986
Lt Col Ned C. Holmes, 28 Jul 1986
Lt Col James V. Ricks, 17 Mar 1988
Lt Col Marc A. McBride, 17 Nov 1989

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The constellation of stars symbolizes the ten aircraft which make up the worldwide Airborne Command Post network. The green earth depicts the global aspect of the unit's mission. The airplanes, satellite, satellite dish, antenna and control tower represent the specialized equipment employed by the unit to fulfill its mission. The encircling lightning bolts suggest the total communications link between all elements of the unit.

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 1850 Airborne Communications Squadron Provided Communications Control Officers And Communications Computer Data And Radio Operators In Support Of The Office Of The Joint Chiefs Of Staff National Emergency Airborne Command Post E-4B Airborne Platform.

1850 Airborne Communications Squadron Continued Support To The KC-135 Looking Glass Aircraft.

1850 Airborne Communications Squadron Supported Looking Glass Operations. Polo Hat Exercise Trained Communications Personnel And Battlestaff In Command And Control Communications.

1 Aerospace Communications Wing Redesignated 1 Aerospace Information Systems Wing 6 Jul 84 National Emergency Airborne Command Post Communications Division And Strategic Air Command Airborne Communications Division Combined Into 1850 Airborne Information Systems Squadron

When squadron inactivated, personnel were split between 1st and 2nd ACCS.

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Sources

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