

347th COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON

MISSION

The 347th Communications Squadron had a wartime mission that provided information management for a deployed wing to include oversight and management of Information Management processes (administrative communications, records, and publishing management) and personnel resources (3AO Functional Management) for the Air Expeditionary Wing. The squadron provided still and motion imagery acquisition processing, still image transmission and graphics services and provided communications systems services to integrate deployed aviation Unit Type Codes (UTC) in support of individual search and recovery and CSAR.

LINEAGE

347th Communications Squadron

STATIONS

Itazuke AB, Japan
Bofu AB, Japan
Ashiya AB, Japan
Naha AB, Japan
Moody AFB, GA

ASSIGNMENTS

347th Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Maj James J. Mercer
Maj Ralph D. Puckett, 12 Jun 1998
LTC Amando E. Gavino, Jr
Maj Russell S. Voce, 20 Aug 2004

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Vietnam Defense

Vietnam Air Offensive

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III

Vietnam Air/Ground

Tet 69/Counteroffensive

Vietnam Summer-Fall, 1969

Vietnam Winter-Spring, 1970

Sanctuary Counteroffensive

Southwest Monsoon

Commando Hunt V

Commando Hunt VI

Commando Hunt VII

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

1997: 347 communications squadron wing initial communications package returned from a 90-day deployment to Shaikj Isa, Bahrain, in support of operation desert strike.

ACC Special Maintenance Team completed Mobile Microwave Landing System training, equipment preparation, and alignment prior to flight check. The 71 RQS completed fly-ability check and FAA flight check started 14 Aug 01.

Completed Mobile Microwave Landing System flight inspection. System certified USABLE without restrictions.

Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) installed at Very High Frequency Omni-Directional Range/Tactical Air Navigation. New UPS provides system protection/uninterruptible service by conditioning the voltage and switching to battery backup when needed.

Relocation of antenna tower from 820 SFG to the Ground to Air Transmit and Receiver facility to support additional AETC frequencies started 20 Aug 01.

Engineering & installation completed installation of Small Tower Voice Switches, ultra high frequency/very high frequency radios, and winds in Runway Control Structures.

Mobile Depot Maintenance Team refurbished air traffic control and landing system antennas and shelters.

Re-engineered cabling for entire FMQ-13 wind system. Eliminated over 15,000 ft of excess cable providing long-term fix for data transfer between wind sensors and indicators.

Received and installed gaskets from airport systems to correct 18 Localizer centerline and monitoring problems due to frogs in log periodic antennas.

Flew on Rigged Alternate Method Zodiac mission 28 Aug 01 on an HC-130P.

Antenna tower relocation from 820 SFG to the Ground to Air Transmit Receiver facility to support additional AETC frequencies completed. Sep 2001

Engineering and installation completed ultra high frequency/very high frequency radio installation completed in bldg 792 for 479 FTG. Sep 2001

Completed weather station indicator relocation project. Collocated all equipment in centralized equipment racks. Sep 2001

Received and installed gaskets from airport systems to correct 18/36 Localizer centerline and monitoring problems due to frogs in log periodic antennas.

Completed install of the tower to Grand Bay shout down line.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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