

818 STRATEGIC AEROSPACE DIVISION



MISSION

LINEAGE

818 Air Division established, 27 Aug 1954

Activated, 11 Oct 1954

Redesignated 818 Strategic Aerospace Division, 1 Mar 1962

Discontinued and inactivated, 25 Mar 1965

STATIONS

Lincoln AFB, NE, 11 Oct 1954-25 Mar 1965

ASSIGNMENTS

Fifteenth Air Force, 11 Oct 1954

Eighth Air Force, 1 Jul 1955

Second Air Force, 1 Jan 1959-25 Mar 1965

COMMANDERS

Col Ervin Wurston, 11 Oct 1954 (acting)

BG Claude E. Putnam, 1 Nov 1954

BG Perry M. Hoisington II, 22 Oct 1956

Col Thomas G. Corbin, 1 Aug 1958

BG Lewis E. Lyle, 2 Jul 1962

Col Edwin H. Harrison, 12 Jan-24 Mar 1965 (additional duty)

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

First and fourth quarters bendy of eight, azure and argent; the second quarter argent, over a lightning bolt in bend sinister, a sphere all proper, two aircraft volant sable with a trailing stream of power gules encircling the sphere; third quarter sable an eagle rising, wings elevated and displayed or. (Approved, 12 Jan 1956)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 818 immediately assumed responsibility for training a force capable of long range offensive bombardment and worldwide air to air refueling operations in Oct 1954. The division participated in numerous tactical training exercises such as Chuck Wagon, Pace Setter, Cobra Killer, and Sky Shield, and countless others until Mar 1965.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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