

# **12<sup>th</sup> EXPEDITIONARY INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON**

## **MISSION**

### **LINEAGE**

12<sup>th</sup> Photographic Technical Unit constituted, 25 Sep 1944

Activated, 5 Oct 1944

Inactivated, 31 May 1946

Activated, 6 Oct 1946.

Inactivated, 2 Jun 1949

12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Intelligence Technical Squadron, Command/Mobile constituted and activated, 15 Dec 1967

Organized, 15 Feb 1968

Inactivated, 15 Mar 1973

12<sup>th</sup> Photographic Technical Unit and 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Intelligence Technical Squadron, Command/Mobile Consolidated and redesignated 12<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Technical Squadron, 16 Oct 1984

Redesignated 12<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Intelligence Squadron and converted to provisional status, 19 Nov 1998

Activated, 1 Dec 1998

Inactivated, 25 Aug 2003

### **STATIONS**

Buckley Fld, CO, 5 Oct 1944

MacDill Fld, FL, 17 Apr-31 May 1946

Brooks Fld, TX, 6 Oct 1946

Greenville AAB (later, AFB), SC, 13 Nov 1946-2 Jun 1949

Tan Son Nhut AB, South Vietnam, 15 Feb 1968-15 Mar 1973

Al Kharj, Saudi Arabia, 1 Dec 1998

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

311th Photographic Wing, Mapping and Charting (later, 311th Reconnaissance Wing), 5 Oct  
1944-31 May 1946

Ninth Air Force, 6 Oct 1946

Fourteenth Air Force, 1 Feb-2 Jun 1949

Seventh Air Force, 15 Feb 1968-15 Mar 1973

363<sup>rd</sup> Air Expeditionary Wing, 1 Dec 1998

## **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

#### **Service Streamers**

World War II American Theater

#### **Campaign Streamers**

Vietnam

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II 1967-1968

Vietnam Air/Ground 1968

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III 1968

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV 1968-1969

Tet 69/Counteroffensive 1969

Vietnam Summer/Fall 1969

Vietnam Winter/Spring 1969-1970

Sanctuary Counteroffensive 1970

Southwest Monsoon 1970

Commando Hunt V 1970-1971

Commando Hunt VI 1971

Commando Hunt VII 1971-1972

Vietnam Ceasefire 1972-1973

#### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device

[15 Feb]-31 Dec 1968

1 Feb-31 Jul 1971

1 Aug 1971-31 Jul 1972

1 Aug 1972-1 Feb 1973

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm

15 Feb 1968-28 Jan 1973

**EMBLEM**

Approved, 3 Jan 1969

**MOTTO****NICKNAME****OPERATIONS**

12th Reconnaissance Intelligence Technical Squadron was an intelligence gathering squadron responsible in part for processing and reproducing reconnaissance and strike photography as well as target materials for Seventh Air Force and all fighter bases in SEA.

On 4 Aug 2000, 12th Expeditionary Intelligence Squadron completed 10th year of real time intelligence support to Joint Task Force Southwest Asia.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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