

13 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

The 13 Intelligence Squadron's mission is to support Global Engagement by providing all-source, fused, near-real-time intelligence to Air Force, joint/combined task force, and unified command commanders worldwide to meet Air Force, theater, and national objectives

LINEAGE

13 Photographic Technical Unit constituted, 1 Feb 1945

Activated, 20 Mar 1945

Inactivated, 20 Nov 1945

13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron constituted and activated, 10 Apr 1963

Organized, 18 Apr 1963

Inactivated, 15 Jun 1971

13 Photographic Technical Unit and 13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron consolidated, 16 Oct 1984

Redesignated 13 Intelligence Squadron, 29 Sep 1994

Activated, 1 Oct 1994

STATIONS

Maastricht, Netherlands, 20 Mar 1945

Venlo, Netherlands, Apr 1945

Brunswick/Waggum, Germany, 30 Apr 1945

Wiesbaden, Germany, May 1945

Bad Kissingen, Germany, Jul-20 Nov 1945

Tan Son Nhut AB, South Vietnam, 18 Apr 1963-15 Jun 1967

Clark AB, Philippines, 15 Jun 1967-15 Jun 1971
Beale AFB, CA, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

Ninth Air Force, 20 Mar-20 Nov 1945 (briefly assigned or attached to 363 Tactical
Reconnaissance Group, 18 May-unkn 1945)
2 Air Division, 18 Apr 1963
33 Tactical Group, 8 Jul 1963
2 Air Division, 8 Jul 1965
460 Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, 18 Feb 1966
Thirteenth Air Force, 15 Jun 1967-15 Jun 1971
612 Air Intelligence Group, 1 Oct 1994
480 Intelligence Group, 7 Dec 2001
548 Intelligence Group, 1 Dec 2003

COMMANDERS

LTC Paul W. Reinowski, 31 Dec 1963
LTC William D. DeSilva, 1 Oct 1964
Maj Florenz J. Mansman, 2 Dec 1964
LTC Russel R. Frederick, 4 Dec 1964
LTC Herbert M. Jacobs, 3 Dec 1965
LTC Edward Coe, 1 Jul 1967
LTC Franklin G. Talley, 24 Sep 1968–15 Jun 1971
LTC Lance P. Schultz, 1995
LTC Richard Stafford, 1996
LTC Larry K. Grundhauser, Aug 1998
LTC Mark S. McAlpine, Jun 2000
LTC Bradley G. Butz, 24 Jun 2002,
LTC Brian D. Johnson, 14 Jun 2004
LTC David H. Foglesong, 10 Jun 2006
LTC Jason M. Brown, 30 Jun 2008
LTC Michael Grunwald, Jr., 25 Mar 2010

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

World War II

Rhineland

Central Europe

Vietnam

Vietnam Advisory

Vietnam Defensive
Vietnam Air
Vietnam Air Offensive
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citation: Vietnam, 18 Feb-12 Oct 1966

Air Force Outstanding
Unit Awards with Combat "V" Devices
1 Jan-30 Nov 1965
1 Jun 2002-31 May 2003

Meritorious Unit Awards
1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006
1 Jun 2006-31 May 2007

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
[1 Oct 1994]-31 Dec 1994
1 Jun 1996-31 May 1998
1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000
1 Jun 2000-31 May 2001

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross With Palm
1 Apr 1966-31 Mar 1968

EMBLEM



13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron

13 Intelligence Squadron emblem: Azure, a winged camera lens fimbriated Or garnished of the first bearing a globe Yellow gridlined Blue, surmounted in chief by a triangle, point to base Blue fimbriated Yellow charged with twelve mullets: five, four and three above a larger mullet White; all within a diminished bordure of the second. Attached below the disc a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "PRIMUM EOS VIDEMUS" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of all Air Force personnel. The winged camera represents airborne imagery reconnaissance; the globe reflected in the camera's lens refers to the unit's worldwide, day-night missions. The camera markings denote the squadron's speed and its focus on objectives. The thirteen stars allude to the original states of the Union and also to the squadron's numerical designation. (Approved, 3 Nov 1965, updated, 13 Apr 1995)

MOTTO

PRIMUM EOS VIDEMUS –We See Them First

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Recent operations conducted by the 13 IS include Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and SOUTHERN WATCH. The 13th IS has conducted over 700 U-2, RQ-1, and RQ-4 intelligence collection missions since September 11, 2001 in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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