# 33 NETWORK WARFARE SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

33 Network Warfare Squadron has 310 personnel executing a \$26 million annual budget for the Air Force's only unit dedicated to defending Service and United States Central Command worldwide computer and communications networks. Squadron operates the Air Force Cyberspace Defense weapon system to detect, prevent, and respond to attacks and intrusions and secure the network weapons system ensuring its availability and integrity for global warfighter operations

# LINEAGE

70 Reconnaissance Squadron (Fighter) constituted, 15 Jun 1943
Activated, 20 Jun 1943
Redesignated 31 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron, 11 Aug 1943
Inactivated, 22 Nov 1945
Redesignated 31 Reconnaissance Squadron, Night Photographic, 5 Sep 1947
Activated in the Reserve, 13 Nov 1947
Redesignated 33 Reconnaissance Squadron, Night Photographic, 25 Nov 1947
Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949

6933 Electronic Security Squadron designated and activated, 1 Oct 1985

33 Reconnaissance Squadron, Night Photographic and 33 Reconnaissance Squadron, Night Photographic consolidated and redesignated 33 Intelligence Squadron, 1 Oct 1993

Inactivated, 30 Jun 1996
Redesignated 33 Information Operations Squadron, 17 Jul 2000
Activated, 1 Aug 2000
Redesignated 33 Network Warfare Squadron, 26 Jul 2007
Redesignated 33 Cyberspace Operations Squadron, 6 Jul 2022

## **STATIONS**

Morris Field, NC, 20 Jun 1943

Will Rogers Field, OK, 29 Oct 1943-11 Feb 1944

Chalgrove, England, 23 Mar 1944

Rennes, France, 18 Aug 1944

Chateaudun, France, 27 Aug 1944

St Dizier, France, 12 Sep 1944

Jarny, France, 29 Nov 1944

Euren, Germany, 28 Mar 1945

Ober Olm, Germany, 5 Apr 1945

Furth, Germany, 30 Apr-22 Nov 1945

Mitchel Field, NY, 13 Nov 1947-27 Jun 1949

Howard AFB, Panama, 1 Oct 1985-30 Jun 1996

Kelly AFB (later, Kelly Field Annex, Lackland AFB) Texas, 1 Aug 2000

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

76 Reconnaissance Group, 20 Jun 1943

III Reconnaissance Command, 11 Aug 1943

10 Photographic (later, 10 Reconnaissance) Group, 31 Mar 1944-22 Nov 1945

74 Reconnaissance Group, 13 Nov 1947-27 Jun 1949

6940 Electronic Security Wing, 1 Oct 1985

Continental Electronic Security Division, 1 Apr 1987

694 Electronic Security Wing, 15 Jul 1988

Continental Electronic Security Division, 1 Jan 1991

693 Intelligence Wing, 1 Oct 1991

67 Intelligence Group, 1 Oct 1993-30 Jun 1996

67 Information Operations Group, 1 Aug 2000

26 Network Operations (later, 26 Cyberspace Operations) Group, 26 Jul 2007

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

P-38/F-5 1943-1945

P-38/F-4 1943-1944

P-51/F-6, 1945

#### **COMMANDERS**

Lt Col Joy M. Kaczor

#### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers** 

#### **Campaign Streamers**

World War II

Air Offensive, Europe, 1942-1944

Normandy, 1944 Northern France, 1944 Rhineland, 1944-1945 Ardennes-Alsace, 1944-1945 Central Europe, 1945 Air Combat, EAME Theater, 1941-1945

# **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

Panama, 1989-1990

# **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation France, 6-20 May 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device 1 Jun 2002-30 May 2003 1 Oct 2010-30 Sep 2012

Meritorious Unit Award 17 Jul 2018-31 May 2019

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1988
20 Dec 1989-14 Feb 1991
15 Feb-31 Dec 1991
1 Oct 1993-30 Sep 1994
1 Oct 1994-30 Sep 1995
[1 Aug 2000]-30 Sep 2000
1 Jun 2003-31 May 2005
1 Jun 2005-31 May 2007
1 Oct 2012-30 Sep 2013
1 Oct 2013-30 Sep 2015
1 Oct 2015-30 Sep 2016
1 Jun 2019-31 May 2020
1 Jun 2020-31 May 2021

#### **EMBLEM**



31 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron emblem: A caricatured red fox stalking across a turquoise blue cloud formation, outlined black, in base, wearing a light green "Sherlock Holmes" hat, yellow overcoat, and smoking a curved stem meerschaum pipe; a candid camera in brown leather case suspended by strap about the right shoulder. (Approved, 30 May 1944)



6933 Electronic Security Squadron emblem (Approved, 14 Oct 1988)





33 Network Warfare Squadron emblems

#### **MOTTO**

#### **OPERATIONS**

Combat in ETO, 10 Apr 1944-7 May 1945; flew F-4, F-5, and F-6 reconnaissance aircraft supporting Allied buildup and invasion of Normandy. Furnished vitally important photographs of the beaches and defenses on the Continent for briefing and training of assault troops. Low-level missions under difficult weather and combat conditions led to awarding of the Distinguished Unit Citation for 6-20 May 1944. From 1 Oct 1985-30 Jun 1996, conducted electronic security and intelligence missions and supported Operation JUST CAUSE in 1989-1990. From 1 Aug 2000, conducted information operations.

6933 Electronic Security Squadron, located at Howard AFB, Panama, was originally activated Sept. 1, 1982, as Detachment 1,6994th ESS with an initial cadre of eight people. Upgraded to a squadron Oct. 1, 1985, the 6933 ESS now has approximately 100 people assigned.

The mission of the 6933 was to conduct defensive studies of U.S. communications and help develop new techniques and equipment to secure and protect our communications from hostile countermeasures. Additionally, the unit assists in search and rescue efforts.

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