

CONTINENTAL ELECTRONIC SECURITY DIVISION



MISSION

LINEAGE

6960 Headquarters Support Group established, 14 Aug 1951
Redesignated 6960 Support Group, 1 Feb 1955
Redesignated 6960 Air Base Squadron, 1 Dec 1971
Redesignated 6960 Support Group, 1 Aug 1979
Redesignated 6960 Electronic Security Wing, 1 Jul 1980
Redesignated Continental Electronic Security Division, 1 Oct 1986
Inactivated, 1 Oct 1991

STATIONS

Kelly AFB, TX, 1 Oct 1986-30 Sept 1991
Brooks AFB, TX, 14 Aug 1951; Kelly AFB, TX, 1 Aug 1953-1 Oct 1991

ASSIGNMENTS

United States Air Force Security Service (later Electronic Security Command), 14 Aug 1951-1 Oct 1991.

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Edwin T. Heyford,
Col Joseph P. Burchfield III,
Col C. R. Morgan, 1984
Robert Kane, 21 Sep 2009

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jul 1969-30 Jun 1971

Air Force Organizational Excellence Award
1 Jan 1986-31 Dec 1987

EMBLEM



6960 Electronic Security Wing Emblem approved, 17 Dec 1980



Per fess abased, per bend sinister vert, azure, and argent (silver gray), in chief a lightning flash bend sinisterwise or between three flight symbols ascending interspersed with five mullets, two, two, and one, argent and a truck with antenna sable, garnished of the fifth, in base a knight chess piece sable garnished argent; all within a diminished bordure or. **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 Air Force personnel. Green represents the earth. The stars signify space another important theater of operations for the Division. The aircraft indicates the unit's airborne mission. The antennae truck demonstrates the worldwide communications support to tactical commanders. The lightning bolt reflects the electronic nature of the unit's mission. The chess piece and the lightning bolt

are from the emblem of the Electronic Security Command, the unit's parent command.
(Approved, Jan 1988)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

General Martin directed a reorganization of the command in 1986, creating an electronic security division within each geographic operating area.

On 1 October 1986, the following ESC units were redesignated as ESC Divisions: Headquarters Electronic Security Europe (ESE), Ramstein AB, Germany, was redesignated HQ European Electronic Security Division (EESD); Headquarters Electronic Security Pacific (ESP), Hicham AFB, Hawaii, was redesignated HQ Pacific Electronic Security Division (PESD); Headquarters 6960th Electronic Security Wing (ESW), Kelly AFB, Texas, was redesignated HQ Continental Electronic Security Division (CESD); also effective 1 October 1986 was activation of HQ Space Electronic Security Division (SESD) at Peterson AFB, Colorado.

The Continental Electronic Security Division is collocated with Headquarters Electronic Security Command at Kelly AFB, Texas.

CESD traces its heritage through the 6960th Electronic Security Wing and plots its future course through guidance provided by the ESC commander, during the command's recent reorganization. CESD fulfills its mission with three operational wings, a support group, a detachment and an operation location.

Some of the responsibilities of the former 6960th ESW were absorbed by the 6960th Electronic Security Support Group. Subordinate to CESD, the 6960th ESSG handles information management, training, security (6960th Security Police Squadron) and logistics support for ESC's Kelly-based units and activities.

CESD is heavily committed to professional military education and specialized skills training for ESC and host base organizations. Detachment 1, CESD, at Goodfellow AFB, Texas, is ESC's Professional Military Education center. This small, but proud member of CESD has an exceptional reputation for providing quality training for the enlisted corps. At Kelly, CESD operates the ESC NCO Preparatory Course, serving all assigned military units.

CESD is in place and operational today. The division touches all aspects of ESC's mission in the continental United States and provides the support needed by the flying commands.

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