# 245<sup>th</sup> AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SQUADRON



## MISSION

Our mission is to provide the United States Air Force with trained personnel ready to deploy and provide Air Traffic Services for worldwide contingencies. Operate fixed Air Traffic Control facilities supporting the 169th Fighter Wing (F-16s) and the South Carolina Army Aviation Brigade (CH-47, OH-58, UH-60, AH-64, & UH-72 helicopters). Additionally, training on mobile equipment (MSN-7 Tower, MPN-14K RADAR, & TRN-48 TACAN) allows the flexibility to provide Air Traffic Services from a bare base environment.

## LINEAGE

245<sup>th</sup> Air Traffic Control Squadron

**STATIONS** McEntire ANGB, Eastover, SC

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

Decorations

#### EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, two lightning flashes in chief chevronwise reverse Gules, surmounted by a palmetto tree and in dexter chief a crescent bendwise sinister Or, overall in base and eagle

stooping of the second, head and tail Sable, all within a diminished bordure Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "245TH ATCS" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force 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. The eagle symbolizes our great nation and the power of flight for freedom. The palmetto tree and crescent moon honor the State of South Carolina, the location of the unit. The lightning bolts denote the strength and speed of the electronics technology that powers our mission. The colors of the emblem symbolize the traits of honor, loyalty, courageousness and determination to succeed, possessed by unit members.

## ΜΟΤΤΟ

# NICKNAME

# **OPERATIONS**

In September 2002, the 245<sup>th</sup> ATCS deployed to Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, September 2002 - January 2003. The 245<sup>th</sup> and other SCANG units regularly deploy members to Iraq and other Southwest Asia locations in support of contingency operations.

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