

423 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The 423 Communications Squadron provides premier communications support and global connectivity to RAF Alconbury, RAF Molesworth and their mission partners.

LINEAGE

2143 Communications Squadron designated and activated, 1 Dec 1969
Redesignated 2143 Information Systems Squadron, 1 Oct 1984
Redesignated 2143 Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1991
Redesignated 423 Communications Squadron, 16 Dec 2010
Activated, 15 Jan 2011

STATIONS

Zweibrucken Army Installation, West Germany, 1 Dec 1969-1 Jul 1991
RAF Alconbury, England, 15 Jan 2011

ASSIGNMENTS

Central European Communications Region, 1 Dec 1969
European Communications Area (later, European Communications Division), 30 Jun 1972
2005 Communications Group (later, 2005 Information Systems Group
2005 Information Systems Wing
2005 Communications Wing), 1 Apr 1983
26 Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, 1 Oct 1990-1 Jul 1991
423 Air Base Group, 15 Jan 2011

COMMANDERS

Capt Richard J. Frye, Dec 1969
Maj Musseiman, 11 Jul 1973
Maj Michael H. Mount, 9 Jul 1976
Lt Col T. E. Harms,
Maj R. J. Robinson
Lt Col Robert K. Snyder, 8 Aug 1983
Col Robert L. Null, 1 Mar 1985
Maj Katherine Rowe, 25 Jun 1986
Maj Michael J. Basla, 5 Jul 1988
Lt Col Matthew Olson

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jan-31 Dec 1975

1 Aug 1989-31 Mar 1991

EMBLEM

The Air Force blue globe represents the global scope of communications. Red and white lightning symbolizes the speed of modern day communications. The red and white bridge symbolizes the communications gap that the squadron bridges. The eye is symbolic of the reconnaissance mission supported by the 2143rd Communications Squadron. The aircraft symbolizes the air traffic control portion of the mission. The yellow star is symbolic of our 24-hour mission. (Approved, 20 Sep 2011)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

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