

712 AIR SUPPORT OPERATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The ASOC's primary responsibility is to provide the Army's III Corps the capability to receive and process requests for immediate Close Air Support, CAS, help facilitate the integration of CAS missions into the Ground Commander's scheme of maneuver, and advise the III Corps Staff on overall aerospace power employment.

When conducting combat operations we transition from the 712 ASOS (Air Support Operations Squadron) to the 712 ASOC (Air Support Operations Center). We establish connectivity with our higher headquarters AF Air Operations Center, and initiate and control the local Air Force Air Request Net, AFARN.

The 712 ASOS is a worldwide deployable mobility squadron; we have approximately 89 personnel, 12 officers and 77 enlisted. The squadron consists of several flights that are aligned under DO, LG, and SC. The DO flight consists of: DOE - Tactical Air Control Party (TACP), otherwise known as ROMADS, DOI - Intelligence, DO - Current Operations (Scheduling and Training), and DOX - Plans and Mobility. The LG flight consists of: SCS - Job Control, LGM - Material Control, LGV - Vehicle Maintenance, LGH - HVAC, and LGP - Power Production. The Transmissions flight consists of: Ground Radio Maintenance, Wideband/ Satellite Communications, and Communications Systems (Computer/Network, Switching and Crypto Systems and Control, Communications, and Computers).

LINEAGE

712 Direct Air Support Center Squadron constituted, 15 Nov 1971

Activated, 1 Dec 1971

Redesignated 712 Air Support Operations Center Squadron, 1 Nov 1979

Redesignated 712 Air Support Operations Squadron, 1 Jul 1994

STATIONS

Bergstrom AFB, TX, 1 Dec 1971

Ft Hood, TX, 1 May 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

71 Tactical Air Support Group, 1 Dec 1971

602 Tactical Air Control Group (later, Wing), 15 Jun 1974

602 Tactical Air Control (later, 602 Air Control) Group, 15 Sep 1988

3 Air Support (later, 3 Air Support Operations) Group, 15 Jun 1992

COMMANDERS

LTC Haider Khan

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Southwest Asia

Defense of Saudi Arabia

Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Meritorious Unit Award

1 Jun 2002-31 May 2004

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Dec 1971-15 Jan 1972

1 May 1984-30 Apr 1986

1 May 1988-30 Apr 1990

1 May 1990-30 Apr 1992

1 Jul 1992-30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-31 May 1996

1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000

1 Jun 2000-31 May 2002

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OPERATIONS

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