

802 COMMUNICATONS SQUADRON



MISSION

People in the 802 CS are members of the largest communications squadron in Air Education and Training Command and provide design, acquisition, management, and maintenance of our \$570 million in integrated base-wide communications systems and visual information services to the five wings and over 70 associate units at Lackland AFB and other Department of Defense organizations in the region.

LINEAGE

2162 Communications Squadron Designated and activated, 1 Oct 1979
Redesignated 2162 Information Systems Squadron, 1 Jul 1985
Redesignated 2162 Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986
Inactivated, 15 May 1992
Redesignated as 802 Communications Squadron, 28 Jul 2009
Activated, 31 Jan 2010
Inactivated, 3 Dec 2013

STATIONS

Buckley ANG Base, CO, 1 Oct 1979-15 May 1992
Lackland AFB, TX, 31 Jan 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

Strategic Communications Area (later, Strategic Communications Division), 1 Oct 1979
Space Communications (later, Space Information Systems; Space Communications) Division, 1 May 1983
2163 Communications Group, 1 Dec 1987
1 Space Wing, 1 Oct 1990-15 May 1992

802 Mission Support Group, 31 Jan 2010

COMMANDERS

LTC James R. Hamilton, 1 Oct 1979
Maj George E. Krieg III, 12 Jun 1980
LTC Carl E. Williams, 23 Jul 1982
LTC Robert L. Scheibel, 12 Apr 1984
LTC Neal E. Wolfard, 31 Jan 1986
Maj Robert E. Carr, Jr., 31 Mar 1986
Maj Derric D. Ankron, 18 Aug 1989
LTC Glenn D. Garay, 2 Jul 2012–3 Dec 2013

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jan 1985-31 Dec 1986

1 Jul 1987-30 Jun 1989

1 Jul 1989-30 Jun 1990

1 Oct 1990-31 Aug 1991

EMBLEM



2162 Communications Squadron emblem **SIGNIFICANCE:** Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow signifies the sun and the excellence of Air Force

personnel. The green mountains and blue sky represent the solid ground which the unit ensures and the far reaching aspect of the mission in space. The red satellite and dish with the lightning bolts symbolize the means by which the unit provides information. The three white stars represent CINCNORAD, CINCSAC, and the National Command authorities which the 2162 Communications Squadron supports.



802 Communications Squadron emblem: On a disc Azure, between in chief four mullets enarched from sinister to dexter, the one in sinister chief a polestar all Argent, and in base a mountain range ascending to dexter Vert, a lightning bolt arching from sinister to dexter Or; all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "NO MISSION IMPOSSIBLE" in Blue letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "802D COMMUNICATIONS SQ" in Blue 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 lightning bolt represents new technology, instant communications and its arc from top to bottom shows the vast capabilities the unit provides from ground to air. The hills and ground are the foundation the unit plants itself on as it reaches for greatness. The stars serve as a reminder that it is the unit's duty to reach higher and strive to

achieve more. Totally, the emblem recognizes the history of the Squadron and its connection to Joint Base San Antonio. Adapting the historical emblem, the design recognizes past and present circumstances of the Squadron. Working now with high-speed data and voice communications, the purpose of sharing information has always been to communicate the mission. The 802d Communications Squadron will continue to be on the cutting edge of communications as described in the motto, "NO MISSION IMPOSSIBLE." (Approved, 26 Aug 1988)

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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