13 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

The 13 Intelligence Squadron's mission is to support Global Engagement by providing all-source, fused, near-real-time intelligence to Air Force, joint/combined task force, and unified command commanders worldwide to meet Air Force, theater, and national objectives

LINEAGE

13 Photographic Technical Unit constituted, 1 Feb 1945 Activated, 20 Mar 1945 Inactivated, 20 Nov 1945

13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron constituted and activated, 10 Apr 1963 Organized, 18 Apr 1963 Inactivated, 15 Jun 1971

13 Photographic Technical Unit and 13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron consolidated, 16 Oct 1984

Redesignated 13 Intelligence Squadron, 29 Sep 1994 Activated, 1 Oct 1994

STATIONS

Maastricht, Netherlands, 20 Mar 1945 Venlo, Netherlands, Apr 1945 Brunswick/Waggum, Germany, 30 Apr 1945 Wiesbaden, Germany, May 1945 Bad Kissingen, Germany, Jul-20 Nov 1945 Tan Son Nhut AB, South Vietnam, 18 Apr 1963-15 Jun 1967 Clark AB, Philippines, 15 Jun 1967-15 Jun 1971 Beale AFB, CA, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

Ninth Air Force, 20 Mar-20 Nov 1945 (briefly assigned or attached to 363 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 18 May-unkn 1945)

2 Air Division, 18 Apr 1963

33 Tactical Group, 8 Jul 1963

2 Air Division, 8 Jul 1965

460 Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, 18 Feb 1966

Thirteenth Air Force, 15 Jim 1967-15 Jun 1971

612 Air Intelligence Group, 1 Oct 1994

480 Intelligence Group, 7 Dec 2001

548 Intelligence Group, 1 Dec 2003

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Paul W. Reinowski, 31 Dec 1963

Lt Col William D. Desilva, 1 Oct 1964

Maj Florenz J. Mansman, 2 Dec 1964

Lt Col Russel R. Frederick, 4 Dec 1964

Lt Col Herbert M. Jacobs, 3 Dec 1965

Lt Col Edward Coe, 1 Jul 1967

Lt Col Franklin G. Talley, 24 Sep 1968–15 Jun 1971

Lt Col Lance P. Schultz, 1995

Lt Col Richard Stafford, 1996

Lt Col Larry K. Grundhauser, Aug 1998

Lt Col Mark S. Mcalpine, Jun 2000

Lt Col Bradley G. Butz, 24 Jun 2002,

Lt Col Brian D. Johnson, 14 Jun 2004

Lt Col David H. Foglesong, 10 Jun 2006

Lt Col Jason M. Brown, 30 Jun 2008

Lt Col Michael Grunwald, Jr., 25 Mar 2010

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

World War II

Rhineland

Central Europe

Vietnam

Vietnam Advisory

Vietnam Defensive

Vietnam Air

Vietnam Air Offensive

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citation: Vietnam, 18 Feb-12 Oct 1966

Air Force Outstanding
Unit Awards with Combat "V" Devices
1 Jan-30 Nov 1965
1 Jun 2002-31 May 2003

Meritorious Unit Awards 1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006 1 Jun 2006-31 May 2007

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards [1 Oct 1994]-31 Dec 1994 1 Jun 1996-31 May 1998 1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000 1 Jun 2000-31 May 2001

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross With Palm 1 Apr 1966-31 Mar 1968

EMBLEM



13 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron

13 Intelligence Squadron emblem: Azure, a winged camera lens fimbriated Or garnished of the first bearing a globe Yellow gridlined Blue, surmounted in chief by a triangle, point to base Blue fimbriated Yellow charged with twelve mullets: five, four and three above a larger mullet White; all within a diminished bordure of the second. Attached below the disc a Blue scroll

edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "PRIMUM EOS VIDEMUS" in Yellow letters. **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 all Air Force personnel. The winged camera represents airborne imagery reconnaissance; the globe reflected in the camera's lens refers to the unit's worldwide, day-night missions. The camera markings denote the squadron's speed and its focus on objectives. The thirteen stars allude to the original states of the Union and also to the squadron's numerical designation. (Approved, 3 Nov 1965, updated, 13 Apr 1995)

MOTTO

PRIMUS EOS VIDEMUS -We See Them First

OPERATIONS

Recent operations conducted by the 13 IS include Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and SOUTHERN WATCH. The 13th IS has conducted over 700 U-2, RQ-1, and RQ-4 intelligence collection missions since September 11, 2001 in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

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