

18 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

5 Photo Lab Section constituted, 9 Oct 1943

Activated, 20 Oct 1943

Redesignated 5 Photographic Technical Unit, 30 Nov 1944

Redesignated 18 Photographic Technical Unit, 29 Jan 1945

Inactivated, 27 Dec 1945

68 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron constituted and activated, 18 Oct 1951

Inactivated, 10 Dec 1951

18 Photographic Technical Unit and 68 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron consolidated and redesignated 18 Reconnaissance Technical Squadron, 16 Oct 1984

Redesignated 18 Intelligence Squadron, 3 Sep 1993

Activated, 7 Sep 1993

STATIONS

Will Rogers Field, OK, 20 Oct 1943

Thermal AAFld, CA, 26 Nov 1943

Esler Field, LA, 8 May 1944

Key Field, MS, 29 Jan-26 Feb 1945

Nancy, France, 22 Mar 1945

Hagenau, France, 3 Apr 1945
Sandhofen, Germany, 13 Jul 1945
Darmstadt, Germany, 19 Sep 1945
Bad Kissingen, Germany, 5-27 Dec 1945
Lockbourne AFB, OH, 18 Oct-10 Dec 1951
Falcon (later, Schriever) AFB, CO, 7 Sep 1993
Vandenberg AFB, CA, 1 Nov 2004

ASSIGNMENTS

76 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 20 Oct 1943
69 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 19 Apr 1944
XII Tactical Air Command, 23 Jun-27 Dec 1945
68 Strategic Reconnaissance Wing, 18 Oct-10 Dec 1951
544 Intelligence (later, 544 Information Operations; 544 Intelligence; 544 Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance) Group, 7 Sep 1993

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II
American Theater
European-African-Middle Eastern Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device
1 Jun 2002-31 May 2003

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996
1 Jan 1998-1 Nov 1999
1 Jun 2001-31 May 2002
1 Jun 2003-31 May 2005
1 Jun 2006-31 Dec 2007
1 Jun 2008-31 May 2009
1 Jan 2010-31 Dec 2010
1 Jan 2011-31 Dec 2011
1 Jan-31 Dec 2012
1 Jan-31 Dec 2013
1 Jan-31 Dec 2014

1 Jun 2015-31 May 2016

EMBLEM



Approved, 24 Aug 1995

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Det 1, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico

Det 2, Osan Air Base, Korea

Det 3, Misawa Air Base, Japan

Det 4, RAF Feltwell, England

Det 5, RAF Edzell, Scotland

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