

1283 AIRWAYS AND AIR COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1283 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron

STATIONS

Chambley AB, France

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Capt Albert A. Tibbs, #1957

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 1283d AACS Squadron worked at the Moselle Control air traffic control facility in an old fort on the west side of Metz. The control center was located in Mag not Line underground facilities near Verdun. The 1283d lived on base and commuted to Metz daily. Moselle Control's primary mission was ground radar control interception (GCI) air defense. GCI was practiced across eastern France. Search and height-finding radar sites were built in France, Belgium, and Netherlands. Collected information was sent into Moselle Control for evaluation, identification, and interception if necessary, and also used to avoid conflicts with commercial air traffic. This radar center was responsible for saving many aircraft during its years of service; most saves were related to jet aircraft running low on fuel because of winter navigation problems.

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