

1608 SECURITY POLICE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

1608 Security Police Squadron

STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

By 1971, Manzano Base had become essentially the Manzano area of Sandia Base. After the base merger, that relationship was formalized, and the storage site became the Manzano area of Kirtland AFB. Manzano operations continued relatively unchanged after the 1971 merger, but organizational changes were significant. Air Force Logistics Command assumed maintenance responsibilities through its 3098th Aviation Depot Squadron, which replaced the 1094th Aviation Depot Group. Support functions became the responsibility of Air Force System Command's 4900th Air Base Group, of which the 4900th Security Police Squadron (SPS) was a part. The 4900 SPS thus became directly responsible for Manzano security support. When Military Airlift Command (MAC) took over control of Kirtland AFB in 1977, Manzano security support underwent additional changes. The 4900 SPS became the 1606 SPS, still in charge of guarding Manzano. However, two years later, on July 1, 1979, MAC requirements called for upgrading the Kirtland AFB security force to group status. Accordingly, on July 1, 1979, the 1606th Security Police Group was activated, with the component 1606th Security Police Squadron, composed of law enforcement personnel, and the 1608th Security Police Squadron, manned by security specialists dedicated to the Manzano area.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

Created: 8 Dec 2014

Updated:

Sources

Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.