# 1956 COMPUTER SYSTEMS GROUP



### **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

167 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron designated, 14 May 1948 Organized, 1 Jun 1948

Redesignated 1956 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron, 1 Oct 1948

Redesignated 1956 Airways and Air Communications Service Group, 18 Sep 1959

Redesignated 1956 Communications Group, 1 Jul 1961

Redesignated 1956 Information Systems Group, 1 Aug 1984

Redesignated 1956 Communications Group, 1 Nov 1986

Redesignated HQ, 1956 Computer Systems Group, 1 Apr 1990

Inactivated, Jul 1991

#### **STATIONS**

Tokyo, Japan Fuchu AB (later, Fuchu AS), 20 Aug 1953 Yokota AB, Japan, 30 Sep 1974

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

68 Airways and Air Communications Service Group (later, 1809 Airways and Air Communications Service Group, Far East AACS Region; Far East Communications Region), 1 Jun 1948

Pacific Communications Area (later, Pacific Communications Division; Pacific Information

## Systems Division; Pacific Communications Division), 1 Jul 1972

#### **COMMANDERS**

Maj H. A. Mosenthin, Aug 1953-?

Lt Col Howland K. Johnson, Sep 1959

Col Rocco Sansone, 1 Jun 1960-?

Lt Col William H. Prince, 1963

Col Michael P. Yopchick, 15 Sep 1965

Col Edward J. Stenger, 18 Aug 1968

Col Franklin J. Hickman, Sr., 5 Jul 1969

Col Earle G. Cross, Jr., 10 Aug 1970

Lt Col Thomas M. Houston, 26 Oct 1970

Col Henry I. Jones, Jr., 4 Aug 1971

Col Louis P. Cyr, 1 Jul 1972

Col Henry I. Jones, Jr., 8 Aug 1972

Col Fred E. Brehm, 23 Jul 1975

Col Albert L. Tarvin, 19 Apr 1977

Col Edward Karolczyk, 28 May 1978

Col John N. Elliott, 4 Jul 1978

Col Richard A. Hamilton, 16 Jun 1981

Col Gerald E. Bronnenberg, 30 Jun 1981

Lt Col James W. Clutter (Interim), 14 Jun 1983

Col Jan P. Huggins, 22 Jun 1983

Col William J. Donahue, 5 Jul 1985

Lt Col Karl S. Scriba (Interim), 15 Jul 1987

Col John D. Culver, 30 Jul 1987

Col Kenneth R. Dirnberger, 26 May 1989

## **HONORS**

#### **Service Streamers**

Korean Theater

## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

# **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jan 1976-31 Dec 1977 1 Jan 1982-31 Dec 1983

#### **EMBLEM**

The Torii Gate represents the group's mission in the Far East, and the lightning bolts are symbolic of readiness and the Air Force Communications Command. The three distinct color divisions

represent the three divisions within the group; operations, maintenance, and air traffic control. They also allude to the group's three communications missions, the 5<sup>th</sup> Air Force, the 475<sup>th</sup> Air Base Wing, and 1956<sup>th</sup> Communications Group. The resistor and ground represent the numerous communications and electronics systems which support the mission of United States Forces in the Northwest Pacific.

**MOTTO** 

**NICKNAME** 

**OPERATIONS** 

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Force Communications Command History. Scott AFB, IL. 1 Oct 1990.