

21st COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE¹

328th Signal Company, Wing, constituted, 17 Jun 1942

Activated, 1 Sep 1942

Redesignated 21st Communications Squadron, Wing, 1 Jul 1946

Inactivated, 25 Sep 1947

Disbanded, 15 Jun 1983

Reconstituted and redesignated 21st Combat Communications Squadron, 11 May 1988

Activated, 1 Jun 1988

STATIONS

Gowen Field, ID

Sioux City AAB, IA, 14 Nov 1942

Gowen Field, ID, 15 Jul 1943

Camp Patrick Henry, VA, 14-22 Feb 1944

Bari, Italy, 30 Mar 1944

Torremaggiore, Italy, 21 Aug 1944

(Operated from Salsola, Italy from Sep 1944 to 8 March 1945; Lessina, Italy from Sep 1944 to 4 Mar 1945 and 9 Mar to 4 Jun 1945; and Fano, Italy from 5 Mar to 4 Jun 1945).

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

Fritzlar, Germany, 3 Aug 1945
Furstenfeldbruck, Germany, 24 Sep 1945
Neubiberg, Germany from 9 Nov 1945-25 Sep 1947
Patrick, AFB, FL, 1 Jun 1988

ASSIGNMENTS

15th Bombardment Wing,
Western Signal Aviation Unit Training Center, Pinedale, California, 14 Nov 1943
Fifteenth Air Force and attached to the 305th Fighter Wing (Provisional), 3 Sep 1944 to circa 1
May 1945
Attached to the XV Fighter Command (Provisional), 1 May-12 Jun 1945
305th Bombardment Wing, Heavy, 13 Jun 1945
64th Fighter Wing, 27 Jul 1945
70th Fighter Wing, 20 Sep 1945-25 Sep 1947
2nd Combat Communications Group, 1 Jun 1988

COMMANDERS

Lt Roy F. Blackmon, 1 Sep 1942
Lt George P. Antonio, 29 Sep 1942
1st Lt Clyde R. Eisenschmidt, 30 Oct 1942
1st Lt Stanley Stevens, 13 Dec 1942
Capt Nelson T. Palmatier, 22 Mar 1945
1st Lt Lawrence J. Trost, 1 May 1945
Capt Rufus E. Hunt, 5 Jun 1945
Capt Henry A. Davis, 28 Oct 1945
1st Lt William J. Keane, 2 Apr 1946-May 1947
Not Manned, May 1947-25 Sep 1947
Maj Richard M. Jensen, 8 Jun 1988

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Rome-Arno

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. Red and black are the unit colors. The crossed lightning bolts which quarter the disc represent the unit's electronic communications mission. The

winged wheel in dexter, the gauntlet in sinister, and the winged sword in chief are taken from the emblems of 2nd Combat Communications Group, Air Force Communications Command, and Tactical Air Command and indicate the unit's affiliation to these units. The globe in base suggests the worldwide scope of the unit's mission.

MOTTO

OPERATIONS