

2004 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



LINEAGE

2004 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron designated and organized, 1 Jul 1952

Redesignated 2004 Communications Squadron, 1 Jul 1961

Redesignated 2004 Information Systems Squadron, 1 Jul 1985

Redesignated 2004 Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986

Inactivated, 1 Jul 1990

STATIONS

Sondrestromfjord (later, Sondrestrom) AB, Greenland

ASSIGNMENTS

1805 AACS Group (later, 1805 AACS Wing; North Atlantic AACS Region; North Atlantic Communications Region; Eastern Communications Region), 1 Jul 1990

Eastern Communications Region, 1 Jul 1963

Northern Communications Area, 1 May 1970

Strategic Communications Area (later, Strategic Communications Division), 1 Oct 1979

Space Communications Division (later, Space Information Systems Division; Space Communications Division), 1 May 1983

COMMANDERS

Maj Joseph W. McFarland, 1958

Lt Col Martin E. Wilson, Oct 1958

Maj Fred W. Sixt (Interim), Aug 1959

Lt Col Charles D. Pryor, 30 Oct 1959

Maj Francis X. Sexton, 6 Aug 1960

Lt Col Charles H. Coleman, 15 Oct 1960
Maj Ivan W. O'Berhelman, Dec 1961
Maj Hal Korff, Dec 1962
Maj Jesse Fishlow, Dec 1963
Maj Howard A. Moore, 1965
Maj James K. Armstrong, Jul 1967
Maj Miller Graf, 1 Jul 1968
Maj Roland L. Hintgen, 11 Jun 1969
Lt Col Joseph H. Valley, Jr., 1971
Maj Wallace L. Morse, 7 Jan 1972
Capt Robert G. Bell, 1972
Capt William Bettencourt, 1973
Capt Stephen J. Rans, 7 May 1974
Capt David N. Barstow, 1975
Capt John W. Gurly, Jr., 1976-?
Capt Vincent J. DiMatting,
Capt LaVay W. Jeffries, 13 Apr 1979
Capt Robert J. Conley, 11 Apr 1980
Capt Jeffery W. Whisenhunt, 17 Apr 1981
Capt Stephen J. Gaertner, 12 Apr 1982
Capt James R. Gotcher III, 18 Jul 1983
Capt John T. Kehler, 14 Jun 1984
Capt Earl W. Stafford, 14 Jun 1985
Capt David L. Sulsberger, 24 Jun 1986
Capt David A. Bearden, 16 Jun 1987
Capt Michael J. Tiernan, 16 Jun 1988
Capt Peter R. Wyman, 7 Jun 1989

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

The four links of the chain represent the four Greenland distant early warning line radar sites which depend upon the logistics support of Sondrestrom Air Base, symbolized by the supporting hand. The squadron's major role in this support effort is providing air traffic control services. The North Star represents both the navigational guidance provided for aircraft and the geographic location of the unit. The blue sky above the white ice cap further defines the unit's presence in the frozen north. The lightning bolts represent the squadron's communications electronics

services which link the base with the distant early warning line and the remainder of the world. The gold ring represents the Arctic Circle and further defines the organization's geographic location and relationship to other communications facilities in the Arctic and along the distant early warning line.

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OPERATIONS

USAF Unit Histories

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