

# 2178 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

2178 Communications Squadron

## STATIONS

McCoy AFB, FL

## ASSIGNMENTS

## COMMANDERS

Maj H.W. Webb

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## EMBLEM

## MOTTO

## NICKNAME

## OPERATIONS

The 2178th Communications Squadron (Air Force Communications Service) at McCoy Air Force Base was established in 1956 with administrative control over one detachment, the 2178-2 Communications Detachment, Orlando AFB. The 2178th Communications Squadron operates and/or maintains the following for McCoy AFB: control tower, ground controlled approach (GCA), instrument landing system (ILS) , low frequency homing beacon, tactical air

navigation (TACAN) system, terminal very high frequency omni-range (TVOR), ultra high frequency directional finding (UHF/DF), weather teletype machines, tel-autograph machines, and facsimile machines. Air Force Communications Service (now a major air command) provides world-wide services to the United States Air Force and the Defense Communications Agency such as airways and ground electronics aids to air operations utilizing mobile, air transportable, and fixed ranges, homing beacons, GCA approach systems, long range navigation systems, land line teletype, interphone systems, stratcoms, and a military air traffic control system to provide for safe and expeditious movement of military air traffic in airdrome control zones and approach control zones. The 2178th Communications Squadron is commanded by Major Sidney H. Johnson.

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