67th CYBERSPACE OPERATIONS GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

67th Observation Group established, 21 Aug 1941 Activated, 1 Sep 1941

Redesignated 67th Reconnaissance Group, 31 May 1943

Redesignated 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 13 Nov 1943

Redesignated 67th Reconnaissance Group, 15 Jun 1945

Redesignated Inactivated, 31 Mar 1946

Activated, 19 May 1947

Redesignated 67th Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 22 Aug 1948

Inactivated, 28 Mar 1949

Activated, 25 Feb 1951

Inactivated, 1 Oct 1957

Redesignated 67th Intelligence Group and activated, 1 Oct 1993

Redesignated 67th Information Operations Group, 1 Aug 2000

Redesignated 67th Network Warfare Group, 5 Jul 2006

Redesignated 67th Cyberspace Operations Group, 1 Oct 2013

STATIONS

Esler Field, LA, 1 Sep 1941 Charleston SC, Dec 1941 Esler Field, LA, Jan-Aug 1942 Membury, England, Sep 1942 Middle Wallop, England, Dec 1943 Le Molay, France, Jul 1944 Toussus le Noble, France, Aug 1944

Gosselies, Belgium, Sep 1944

Vogelsang, Germany, Mar 1945

Limburg an der Lahn, Germany, c. 2 Apr 1945

Eschwege, Germany, c. 10 Apr-Jul 1945

Drew Field, FL, c. 21 Sep 1945

MacDill Field, FL, Dec 1945

Langley Field, VA, 11 Feb 1946-31 Mar 1946

Shaw Field, SC, Feb-31 Mar 1946

Langley Field, VA, 19 May 1947

March Field, CA, c. 24 Jul 1947-28 Mar 1949

Komaki AB, Japan, 25 Feb 1951

Taegu AB, South Korea, Mar 195

Kimpo AB, South Korea, Aug 1951

Itami AB, Japan, c. 1 Dec 1954

Yokota AB, Japan, 14 Aug 1956-1 Oct 1957

Kelly AFB (later, Kelly Field Annex, Lackland AFB, TX), 1 Oct 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

3rd Air Support Command, 1 Sep 1941

5th Air Support Command, 29 Mar 1942

III Ground Air Support Command, 15 May 1942

VIII Ground Air Support Command, 23 Jun 1942

III Ground Air Support Command, 4 Jul 1942

Third Air Force, 21 Aug 1942

VIII Fighter Command, 5 Sep 1942

IX Fighter Command, Nov 1943

IX Air Support Command, Feb 1944

IX Tactical Air Command, 20 Apr 1944

Third Air Force, 19 Sep 1945

First Air Force, 21 Jan-31 Mar 1946

Tactical Air Command, 19 May 1947

Twelfth Air Force, 25 Jul 1947

1 Fighter Wing, 15 Aug 1947

67th Reconnaissance (later, 67th Tactical Reconnaissance) Wing, 25 Nov 1947- 28 Mar 1949

67th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, 25 Feb 1951-1 Oct 1957

67th Intelligence (later, 67th Information Operations, 67th Network Warfare, Cyberspace) Wing, 1 Oct 1993

ATTACHMENTS

6102nd Air Base Wing, 1 Jul-1 Oct 1957)

WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-38

P-51

F-5

RB-26

RF-80

RB-26

RF-51

RF-80

RF-86

RF-84

COMMANDERS

Unkn, Sep-Nov 1941

LTC Oliver H. Stout, 21 Nov 1941

Col Frederick R. Anderson, 4 May 1942

Col George W. Peck, 6 Dec 1943

LTC Richard S Leghorn, 11 May 1945-unkn

Unkn, May-Jul 1947

Maj Edwin C. Larson, 25 Jul 1947

LTC Arvis L. Hilpert, 15 Aug 1947

Col Leon W. Gray, 16 Aug 1947

LTC Royal B. Allison, 20 Mar 1948

Col Horace A. Hanes, 22 Mar 1948

Col Loren G. McCollom, 16 Jan 1949-unkn

Col Jacob W Dixon, 28 Feb 1951

LTC [?] Stone, 29 Aug 1951

Col Charles C. Andrews, Sep 195

Col Robert R. Smith, May 1952

LTC George T. Prior, Oct 1952

Col John G. Foster, 1952-unkn

Col John C. Egan, 22 Oct 1953

LTC Hartwell C. Lancaster, 8 May 1954

Col Loren G. McCollom, 1 June 1954

Col Prescott M. Spicer, 11 Aug 1954

LTC Joseph C. Smith, 24 Nov 1954-unkn

Col John W. Baer, 31 Aug 1955

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

World War II

Antisubmarine, American Theater

European-African-Middle Eastern

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe Air Combat, EAME Theater

Korea
First UN Counteroffensive
CCF Spring Offensive
UN Summer-Fall Offensive
Second Korean Winter

Korea Summer-Fall, 1952

Third Korean Winter

Korea Summer, 1953

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations Le Havre and Straits of Dover, 15 Feb-20 Mar 1944 Korea, 25 Feb-21 Apr 1951 Korea, 9 Jul-27 Nov 1951 Korea, 1 May-27 Jul 1953

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Combat "V" Device 12 Jun 2002-31 May 2003

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Dec 1952-30 Apr 1953

1 Oct 1993-30 Sep 1994

1 Oct 1994-30 Sep 1995

1 Oct 1999-30 Sep 2000

1 Jun 2003-31 May 2005

1 Jun 2005-31 May 2007

1 Oct 2012-30 Sep 2013

Belgian Fourragere

Cited in the Order of the Day, Belgian Army 6 Jun-30 Sep 1944 16 Dec 1944-25 Jan 1945

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation

EMBLEM

Per bend sinister Celeste and Azure between a lightning bolt Gules, fimbriated Sable, in bend sinister, a quarter section sun radiant issuing from dexter chief Or, fimbriated Black, in sinister base four stars Argent one, two and one; all within a diminished bordure Yellow. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "67TH NETWORK WARFARE GROUP" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. 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. The lightning bolt is emblematic of the strength, speed and power necessary to achieve the mission of Network Warfare. The sunburst represents the importance of withstanding danger and destruction to accomplish the mission and by such accomplishment to bring light, protection and honor. The sky and stars are where all aerial activities are primarily carried to a successful completion.

MOTTO

LUX EX TENEBRIS—Light from Darkness. (Approved, 20 Mar 1952)

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Flew antisubmarine patrols along the east coast of the US after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Began training in Jan 1942 for duty overseas. Moved to the European theater, Aug-Oct 1942. Trained in England for more than a year before beginning operations in Dec 1943. to fly artillery-adjustment, weather-reconnaissance, bomb-damage assessment, photographic-reconnaissance, and visual-reconnaissance missions. Received a DUC for operations along the coast of France, 15 Feb-20 Mar 1944, when the group flew at low altitude in the face of intense flak to obtain photographs that aided the invasion of the Continent. Flew weather missions, made visual reconnaissance for ground forces, and photographed enemy positions to support the Normandy campaign and later to assist First Army and other Allied forces in the drive to Germany. Took part in the offensive against the Siegfried Line, Sep-Dec 1944, and in the Battle of the Bulge, Dec i944-Jan 1945. From Jan to May 1945, photographed dams on the Roer River in preparation for the ground offensive to cross the river, and aided the Allied assault across the Rhine and into Germany. Returned to the US, Jul-Sep 1945. Inactivated on 31 Mar 1946.

Moved to Korea in Mar 1951 and served in the Korean War until the armistice. Made photographic reconnaissance of front lines, enemy positions, and installations; took pre-strike and bomb-damage assessment photographs; made visual reconnaissance of enemy artillery and naval gun positions; and flew weather missions. Received an AFOUA for the period 1 Dec 1952-30 Apr 1953 when, in the face of enemy opposition and adverse weather, the group performed reconnaissance missions on a 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week basis to provide valuable intelligence for UN forces. Returned to Japan, Nov-Dec 1954.

The 67th TRG activated on February 25, 1951, with resources from the inactivated 543d Tactical

Support Group. The 12th and 15th TRSs replaced and absorbed the resources of the 162d and 8th Squadrons respectively. On a recurring basis, the group provided photographic coverage of all enemy airfields in Korea, as mandated by the FEAF policy of keeping enemy airfields unserviceable. It also flew large-scale frontline block coverage photography for the Eighth Army and provided surveillance for the interdiction of main enemy rail lines, roads, and bridges. New technology permitted it to reconnoiter targets between fighter-bomber attacks, interpret wet negatives, and flash the results and flak locations to the Joint Operations Center in time to assist missions later in the day. During 1951, the 45th TRS routinely flew armed reconnaissance with RF-5 Is, leading fighter sweeps and directing fighter-bomber strikes. The 67th TRG earned three Distinguished Unit Citations (DUCs). The first was for the period February April 1951 when the tactical squadrons provided intensive medium- to low-level surveillance of enemy territory as far north as the Yalu River. In conjunction with these missions, the 45th TRS conducted 1,886 fighter sweep sorties, attacking railways, pack animals, roads, vehicles, bridges, and supply dumps. The second DUC recognized contributions to the UN Summer-Fall Offensive, July November 1951, with the 12th TRS conducting night operations in RB 26s, and the 15th TRS in RF 80s sharing daytime coverage with the 45th TRS. The aircrews flew around-the-clock photo surveillance of enemy activities and provided artillery and naval gun fire direction. The group earned its third DUC during the war's final campaign. Flying continuous close surveillance of enemy activities, the group provided photographic intelligence, visual reconnaissance, and direction of fighter-bomber sweeps to prevent the enemy an opportunity for a last-minute offensive before implementation of the armistice.

Mission. The 67th Network Warfare Group (67 NWG) employs five operational squadrons worldwide, providing Air Force forces to conduct network attack (NetA), network support (NetS), and Electronic Systems Security Assessments (ESSA) for Air Force and joint units focused upon the priorities of the 67th Network Warfare Wing Commander, Air Force Network Operations Commander, United States Strategic Command Commander, and the supported Unified Combatant Commanders (COCOMs). The Group plans, tasks, executes, monitors and sustains NetA, NetS, and ESSA forces for Warfighting Headquarters, COCOMs, and other Air Force elements. The Group trains and certifies network warfare forces on tactics, techniques, and procedures.

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Sources

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