

87 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



MISSION

The members of the 87th Communications Squadron provide high-speed data connectivity, phone and radio networks, multimedia services, maintenance for command and control communications, and air traffic control facilities to support Team McGuire operations.

LINEAGE

87th Communications Squadron, Fighter, Two-Engine constituted, 2 Jun 1949
Activated in the Reserve, 27 Jun 1949
Redesignated 87th Communications Squadron, 16 Mar 1950
Ordered to active duty, 1 May 1951
Inactivated, 25 Jun 1951
Activated in the Reserve, 15 Jun 1952
Inactivated, 1 Feb 1953
Activated, 3 Mar 2009

STATIONS

Bergstrom AFB, TX, 27 Jun 1949-25 Jun 1951
Atterbury AFB, IN, 15 Jun 1952-1 Feb 1953
McGuire AFB, (Later, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst) NJ, 3 Mar 2009

ASSIGNMENTS

Eighth Air Force, 27 Jun 1949-25 Jun 1951
87th Air Base Group, 15 Jun 1952-1 Feb 1953

87th Mission Support Group, 3 Mar 2009

ATTACHMENTS

27th Communications Squadron, Fighter, Two-Engine, 27 Jun 1949

12th Communications Squadron, 5 Dec 1950

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Oct 2011-30 Sep 2012

EMBLEM



On a disc Sable, a globe Azure gridlined and bordered Argent, charged with a communications tower of the first and dish Silver Gray, arrayed and arching the globe to chief four communications flashes Or; all within a narrow border Black. Attached above the disc, a Silver Gray scroll edged with a Black border and inscribed "PER MUNDUM PROVIDEMUS" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a Silver Gray scroll edged with a Black border and inscribed "87TH COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON" in Black 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 background signifies the vastness of space. The globe describes the unit's worldwide capabilities. The communications tower stands for the unit and its mission, with the four

lightning flashes being symbols of command, control, communications and computers.

MOTTO

PER MUNDUM PROVIDEMUS-- Worldwide We Provide

OPERATIONS

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Sources

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