

8075 ELECTRONIC SECURITY SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

8075 Electronic Security Squadron
Designated and organized, 1 Oct 1981

STATIONS

Brooks AFB, TX, 1 Oct 1981

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Maj Wade G. Forrester

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The unit is the 8075th Electronic Security Squadron at Brooks AFB, Texas. It is assigned to the 433rd Military Airlift Wing, Kelly AFB, Texas. When the unit mobilizes it is gained by Electronic Security Command under the operational command of the ESC commander and the 694th Electronic Security Wing, Kelly AFB.

The 8075th ESS provides a Reserve defensive command, control and communications countermeasures capability. Specifically, the unit conducts communications surveillance operations in support of the Air Force communications security program during war and peace.

Currently, the mission is Department of Defense telephone monitoring. The unit monitors friendly communications to determine if any information is being leaked that may be of value to an enemy.

Initially, the 8075th augmented the 6906th ESS, also located at Brooks, in their mission. Now the 8075th has been provided with its own unique mission.

Manning for the 8075th consists of 34 Reservists — five officers and 29 enlisted personnel. Officers in the unit are primarily communications officers and the enlisted are mainly defensive communications security analysts.

Operator training was a challenge met well by the members of the 8075th ESS. Unit members responded to training problems by developing local skills training standards, writing unit policies and procedures.

On-the-job training provided most of the specialty training for 8075th members. For their annual tours, members participate in various DOD telephone monitor missions throughout the United States at selected military installations.

The problems encountered and solutions developed during missions played a key role in helping unit leadership devise and implement new policies and procedures.

Mission participation by 8075th members in the Air Force communications security program has helped educate commanders about the vulnerabilities that exist when using electronic communications. Monitor teams of the 8075th ESS have received numerous letters of appreciation from host commanders.

The 8075th Electronic Security Squadron (USAFR), ESC's first Air Force Reserve unit, was established at Brooks Air Force Base, Texas, on 1 October 1981 to provide Communications Security support for the Air Force and other DoD organizations.

On 17 December 1982, the ESC Assistant Chief of Staff for Total Force Augmentation and the Reserve Affairs Office were merged into one function—Individual Mobilization Augmentation—that reported directly to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.

1989 A team in August from the 8075 ESS performed radio monitoring at Grissom AFB, Indiana. The unit performed an RSM 51-90 exercise in October. The unit participated in "Blue Flag" in December at Hurlbert Field, Florida.

USAF Unit Histories

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