

# HEADQUARTERS SPACE COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION



## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

HQ Space Communications Division

## **STATIONS**

Colorado Springs, CO

Peterson AFB, CO

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

Maj Gen Winston D. Powers, Jan 1983

Brig Gen John P. Hyde, 19 Aug 1983

Col Phillip K. Heacock, Jun 1985

Brig Gen James S. Cassity, Jr., 1 Jul 1985

Col Phillip K. Heacock, 1 Oct 1985

Col Karl V. Price, 10 Jun 1986

Col William R. Taylor, 22 Apr 1987

Col Vincent Majkowski, 13 Jul 1987

Col Michael J. Ondrasek, 7 Jul 1989

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

## **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

The stars and globe in the dark blue background represent the space environment. The picture section of the globe represents the earth as viewed from some point in space. The latitude and longitude lines on the earth emphasize the global nature of Air Force communications. The satellite, depicted as a four-pointed star, symbolizes the worldwide coverage of Air Force surveillance and communications satellites. The triangular shape in space represents the upward thrust into space. It also symbolizes the Air Force's historic efforts to develop reusable winged vehicles and the commitment to use the space transportation system shuttle for future space operations. The dish represents the focal point of the Space Communications Division. The lightning bolts, spanning the globe and space, represent the Air Force's continuous effort to provide vital communications links wherever the need for communications exists.

### **MOTTO**

### **OPERATIONS**

The Space Communications Division established 9 September 1982, activated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, 1 January 1963, and assigned to HQ Air Force Communications Command. On 15 August 1986, Space Communications Division was redesignated Space Information Systems Division, and on 1 November 1986, redesignated back to Space Communications Division. The location of HQ Space Communications Division changed from Colorado Springs to Peterson AFB on 1 June 1988. Consequently, after the Air Force activated the Space Command in September 1982, AFCC created a Space Communications Division on 1 January 1983 to provide the new command dedicated support. This division quickly became involved in all levels of planning for the communications necessary to support the work of the Air Force's newly created Space Command. AFCC's involvement was not limited solely to the planning and writing of operational concepts, but also included connectivity and base communications support to strategic, tactical, and shuttle systems. From wartime preparedness to peacetime telecommunications, AFCC provided the communications support necessary to use equipment operating in space.

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