

231st CIVIL ENGINEER FLIGHT



MISSION

The 231 CEF is a Command Staff Augmentation Flight (COMSAF) that provides worldwide deployable engineer and fire protection staff augmentation team (S-Team) support to Major Commands and Numbered Air Force staffs for command and control of engineer forces, fire protection management, engineering projects and technical assistance. The 231 CEF is one of three S-Teams in the Air National Guard.

LINEAGE

231st Civil Engineer Flight

STATIONS

Jefferson Barracks, St Louis, MO
Lambert Field, MO

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

Sable, a globe Azure grid-lined of the field, charged with axes per saltire enhanced, handled of the first and bladed Silver Gray, in base a gear wheel Or, overall a compass expanded per chevron of the third; all within a narrow Black border. Attached above the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "PRAEFECTI FABRUM PRAECLARI" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a Yellow scroll edged with a narrow Black border and inscribed "231ST CIVIL ENGINEER FLIGHT" 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 globe indicates the unit's readiness to deploy anywhere at anytime. The axes, compass, and gear wheel describe the various capabilities and components of the unit.

MOTTO

"PRAEFECTI FABRUM PRAECLARI--Displays Engineering Excellence

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The National Guard Bureau authorized 231 st Civil Engineer Flight (CEF) in 1979, with Colonel Gordon J. Buchanan serving as its first commander. Successive unit commanders have been Colonel John W. Clark, Colonel Jeffrey D. Felder, and Colonel Darrell E. Hart.

In 1983, the 231 CEF was assigned to Headquarters United States Air Forces Europe (USAFE) as a gaining command by direction of U.S. Air Force Staff and a mutual agreement between the National Guard Bureau, Headquarters United States Air Forces Europe HQ USAFE, and the Adjutant General of the State of Missouri.

History was made when the 231 CEF, along with the 235 CEF, Maryland ANG, also assigned to HQ USAFE, and the 240 CEF, Colorado ANG, assigned to Headquarters Pacific Air Force (PACAF), became the first Air National Guard units to be assigned to major overseas commands.

The 231 CEF is a Command Staff Augmentation Flight (COMSAF) whose mission statement is to provide engineering, environmental, and fire protection support during wartime operations to HQ PACAF, HQ AMC, HQ USAFE, and the National Guard Bureau.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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