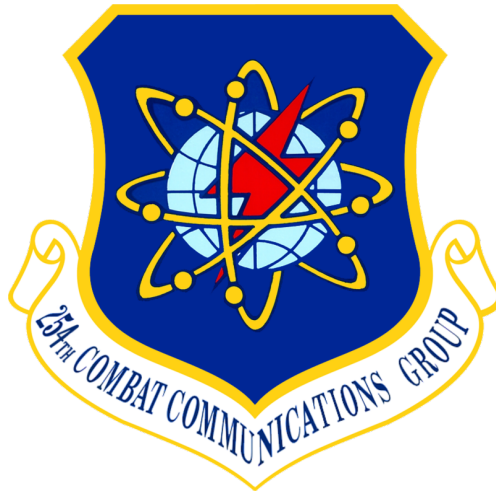


254th COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP



MISSION

Federal Mission The 254th Combat Communications Group provides a full spectrum of communications capabilities to include planning, engineering, command level coordination, and a wide array of tactical communications solutions to the combatant command or joint task force. The 254th also provides command oversight and leadership to six aligned units spanning three states. Upon mobilization, Air Combat Command (ACC) will assume operational command of the 254th CCG and direct deployment of the Group. **State Mission** The 254th Combat Communications Group's state mission is to provide ready forces to the state of Texas during local or statewide emergencies to protect life and property, and to preserve peace, order, and public safety. The 254th Combat Communications Group also provides the Adjutant General with voice and data.

LINEAGE

254th Mobile Communications Group, Activated, Jun 1971
Redesignated 254th Combat Information Systems Group, 1 Jul 1985
Redesignated 254th Combat Communications Group, October 1986

STATIONS

Garland ANG, Texas

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col Cecil I. Grimes, Jun 1971
LTC Douglas A Lord, Apr 1972
LTC George Sharp, Mar 1973
Col Louis A. Howard, Mar 1974
LTC Charles P. Kieser, Aug 1982

Col Galen M. Lambert, Jul 1983
Col Fred E. Ellis, Sep 1985
Col Allen R. Dehnert, Sep 1995
Col Robert E. Horstman, Nov 1999
Col Tony Buntyn, Nov 2000
Col Will Allen, Dec 2007
Colonel Kevin A. Turnbo

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Awards Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
1971
2006
2008

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

It has also traveled to Europe, including Spain, England, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Greece and Turkey. Twice the Group provided communications in Korea. An impressive record of achievements was completed by the 254th throughout the years. It was the first Air National Guard organization tasked to be the lead combat communications unit in a Joint Chief of Staff-directed exercise- BRAVE SHIELD 12 - and, in 1979 became the first ANG unit deployed to the European theater to provide communications support for a NATO series of exercises. In addition, the units of the 254th have provided technical expertise to their active duty counterparts during the developing and testing of the Joint Automated Message Processing System (JAMPS).

1980-Supported Mt St Helens disaster relief. 200 group members provided 24 hour around the clock communications support for rescue operations. For a week and a half. Set up a dedicated communications system supporting statewide search and rescue operations

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