47 LIAISON SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

47 Liaison Squadron constituted, 25 Jun 1943 Activated, 1 Jul 1943 Inactivated, 25 Aug 1948

STATIONS

Gainesville AAFId, TX, 1 Jul 1943

Brownwood AAFId, TX, 25 Sep 1943

Cheltenham, England, 9 Apr 1944

Heston, England, 25 Apr 1944 (flight at Colombieres, France, 24 Jul-10 Aug 1944)

St Sauveur Lendelin, France, 10 Aug 1944

Pollock AAFId, LA, 24 Nov 1943-21 Mar 1944

Laval, France, 21 Aug 1944

Buc, France, 2 Sep 1944

Verdun, France, 17 Sep 1944

Wiesbaden, Germany, 2 May 1945 (flights operated from several points in Germany and Austria during period 21 Jul 1945-20 Jun 1947)

Rebstock, Germany, 24 Jun 1946

Langley Field, VA, 25 Jun 1947-25 Aug 1948

ASSIGNMENTS

426 Reconnaissance Group, 1 Jul 1943

II Air Support Command (later II Tactical Air Division), 11 Aug 1943

US Strategic Air Forces in Europe, 4 Apr 1944

Ninth Air Force, 25 Apr 1944

XII Tactical Air Command, 23 Nov 1945

70 Fighter Wing, 1 Feb 1946

64 Fighter Wing, 4 Mar 1946

XII Tactical Air Command, 1 May 1947

Tactical Air Command, 25 Jun 1947-25 Aug 1948

ATTACHMENTS

Headquarters Command, European Theater of Operations, US Army, until 17 Apr 1944 First Army Group, 17 Apr-9 Aug 1944

Twelfth Army Group, 9 Aug 1944-1 Aug 1945

Headquarters Command, US Forces, European Theater [later Headquarters Command, European Command], 1 Aug 1945-31 May 1947

WEAPON SYSTEMS

L-3

L-4

L-4A

L-5

L-5B

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a light turquoise blue disc, wide border light red, a caricatured snail in flight, brown, shell gray, wings light red, in front of a large white cloud formation in sinister chief. (Approved, 19 Jan 1944)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Primarily courier with army group headquarters in area to rear of front lines, May 1944-May 1945. Not manned, Jun 1947-Aug 1948.

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