

6947 ELECTRONIC SECURITY SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

6947 Security Squadron Organized, 1 Feb 1963
Redesignated 6947 Electronic Security Squadron, 1 Aug 1979
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1986

STATIONS

US Naval Air Station, Key West, FL, 1 Feb 1963
Homestead, FL, 1 Jul 1970-1 Jul 1986

ASSIGNMENTS

6940 Security Wing, 1 Feb 1963-1 Jul 1974
6955 Security Group, 1 Jul 1974

COMMANDERS

Col William B. Barnes, 1968-1971
Capt Dettmann, 1971
Capt Aubrey E. Smith, 1974
Lt Col Anthony J. Pazik, 1984
Lt Col Robert C.M. Pelletier, 1985

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jan 1977-31 Dec 1977

EMBLEM

On a disc edged with a narrow gray border, a blue circular pattern consisting of three connecting arcs fimbriated yellow between a red arced background bearing a yellow lightning bolt above, a blue arced background on which is a white quill detailed black in sinister flank, and a white arced background on which is a sword with blade up, blade gray detailed black, hilt and guard red. Attached below the disc a blank yellow scroll edged gray. **SIGNIFICANCE:** [Informal] Like the hurricanes that frequent this corner of the world, this emblem depicts revolving turmoil. A hurricane is a system of action and reaction, nature acting upon itself, whirling and building in strength; yet, in the center, a calm must exist, so that order is maintained, during even the most violent of storms. Listed below are the various colors and elements of the patch, along with a brief description of how each contributes to the overall theme. The Circular Pattern represents a hurricane. The Lightning Bolt: Represents this unit's intelligence reporting of perishable data to the rest of the intelligence community, and to the reactionary military, so that decisions can be made and action taken, if warranted. The Sword: Represents those reactionary military units that may be required to take positive action. Conversely, when action is warranted, additional collection immediately becomes paramount, thus completing the cycle of events. The Eye, or Center: This is the calm of the storm. Passive in nature like the eye, the 6947th Electronic Security Squadron is able to keep our forces informed of on-going activity in a timely manner thus fulfilling our role as "Caretaker of Order" during the most violent of storms. Without the knowledge provided, total chaos would exist for our forces. (Approved, 10 Sep 1981)

MOTTO

Caretaker of Order

OPERATIONS

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Sources

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