

6966 ENGINEERING SYSTEMS FLIGHT



MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Kelly AFB, TX

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

6966th Engineering Systems Flight, at Kelly AFB is a direct reporting unit to Headquarters, Electronic Security Command, aligned under the director, Systems Acquisition and Engineering Directorate. The flight is tasked to design, build, procure, test, modify and install specialized equipment and systems to support command unique cryptological/communications security mission requirements.

The 6966th develops specific equipment/systems identified by systems acquisition and engineering. The unit determines the most cost effective method of obtaining the necessary items, while considering time constraints imposed by mission requirements. The three development methods most commonly employed are: unit design and fabrication; contract issuance for design and fabrication; and unit procurement/modification of existing assets.

Regardless of the method employed, the 6966th is ultimately responsible for the quality, quantity and timeliness of the equipment/systems and technical support delivered to field units.

The history of the unit can be traced to its origin in 1948 as the Engineering Laboratory, located at Brooks AFB, Texas. In 1955 the unit was relocated to Bldg. 2000, on Kelly. In 1962, the lab was moved to its present facility.

In 1966 the unit was placed administratively under Air Force Cryptologic Support Center while functional control rested with systems acquisition and engineering. On April 1, 1986, the unit was redesignated as the 6966th Engineering Systems Flight and became a direct reporting unit to systems acquisitions.

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