

8553 AIR RESERVE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

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Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Contains information on national program for training members of the reserve components of the army and air force for postal and travelers censorship duty. Beginning in 1950, the air force reserve became involved in national censorship planning. The first effective training was conducted at a school operated by the army at fort jay ny. The 2277 training squadron (censorship) was activated 15 sep 51 to administer the program. The censorship and travel control branch of the air provost marshal of headquarters united states air force (usaf) was responsible for training air force personnel assigned to the program, and continental air command (conac) was responsible for their administration. During jun 53 air force reserve officers attended active duty training course at orlando air force base (afb) fl. After 1953, the

army and air force alternated in providing training materials and sites for the active duty tours. More recently, commanders of individual detachments of the 1 censorship squadron prepared the training courses during the air force years. On 1 feb 55, the 2277 training squadron (censorship) was discontinued and the command's monitoring and administrative responsibilities were taken over by the conac air provost marshal. The 8553 air reserve squadron (censorship) was organized at mitchel afb ny 1 feb 56. On 24 oct 58, the 8553 reserve squadron was discontinued and the 1 censorship squadron was activated in its place. On 1 oct 72, the 1 censorship squadron was redesignated 1 wartime information security squadron (wiss). Effective 31 mar 74, 1 and 2 wiss were inactivated and the civil wartime information security program (wisp) was discontinued. 1950

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