485th ENGINEERING INSTALLATION GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

485th GEEIA Squadron constituted and activated, 28 Mar 1966 485th GEEIA Squadron organized, 15 Apr 1966 Redesignated 485th Electronics Installation Squadron, 1 May 1970 Redesignated 485th Communications and Installation Group established (active), 31 Jul 1977 Redesignated 485th Communications and Installation Group, 1 Aug 1977 Redesignated 485th Engineering Installation Group, 1 Jul 1980 Inactivated 22 Dec 1995

STATIONS

Cam Ranh Bay AB, South Vietnam Griffiss AFB, New York 1 Jan 1972

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Force Logistics Command Pacific Communications Area, 1 May 1970 Northern Communications Area, 1 Jan 1972 Engineering Installation Center (later, Engineering Installation Division), 1 Jun 1981

COMMANDERS

Maj Marcelius Hunter Maj David Galloway Col Luxbarr Cpt Oakley Vincent Maj Harold Donath LTC Thomas R. Coleman LTC James M. Bernson, 5 Nov 1970 Cpt David B. Stoltz, Dec 1971 LTC Frederick T. Walker, 1 Feb 1972 Cpt Herman J. Litra (Interim), 24 May 1974 Maj Joseph T. Stewart, Jr., 11 Jul 1974 LTC Thomas R. Howes, Jul 1976 Col Roderick W. Coward, 1 Aug 1977 LTC Lynn Robinson, 1979 Col Robert Janzen, 1 Jan 1981 LTC Joseph T. Stewart, Jr., 1 Jun 1981 Col Clinton C. Moore, Jr., 8 Jul 1983 Col Robert L. Hayes, 27 Jan 1986 Col Donald R. Speice, 26 Jul 1988 Col Michael A. Coursey

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam Air Vietnam Air Offensive VN Air Off, Phase II VN Air Off, Phase III Vietnam Air/Ground VN Air Off, Phase IV TET 69/Counteroffensive VN Summer-Fall, 1969 VN Winter-Spring, 1970 Sanctuary Counteroffensive Southwest Monsoon Commando Hunt V Commando Hunt VI

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with valor 1 Jan 1970-31 Dec 1970 1 Nov 1969-1 Jan 1972

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jan 1973-31 Dec 1973 1 Jan 1974-31 Dec 1974 1 Jan 1975-31 Dec 1975 1 Jun 1981-31 Dec 1982

Republic Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm. 15 May 1966-1 April 1970

EMBLEM



The shield was designed by members of the group using the old unit emblem. It is symbolic of the group. The red dragon represents the unit's activation in Vietnam, and since Vietnam was in the tropics, it was placed in the sun for reference to the group's responsibilities in connection with meteorological equipment. The field behind the sun alludes to the sky, the primary theater of the Air Force mission with flashes symbolizing electronics and communications systems. The

arc at the top represents the shape of the original emblem. The northern lights with Aurora Borealis, the Big Dipper, and the North Star represent the unit's mission in support of Northern Communications Area, Air Force Communications Command.

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OPERATIONS

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