3 COMMAND AND CONTROL SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

3 Command and Control Squadron

STATIONS

Offutt AFB, NE

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Diann Latham, 11 Mar 1996

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jan 1998-31 Dec 1998 1 Oct 1997-30 Sep 1999 1 Oct 1995-30 Sep 1997

EMBLEM

The device in the center of the disc is a Hydra, a creature which in mythology had several heads. These heads represent the multiple sensor sites of the 3 CACS, which provide continuous, worldwide surveillance. According to mythology, the hydra in combat could detect an attack from any direction even with the loss of a head. Similarly, 3 CACS maintains global coverage even if one of its sensors is put out of operation. This global capability is further amplified by the motto of the unit: "Watching the World". The disc is divided by the colors black and white which represent night and day. The squadron works night and day. The line of USAF yellow dividing these colors symbolizes the sun which divides the day and night. The USAF blue in the scrolls suggests the sky, the medium in which the Air Force operates. The USAF yellow in the emblem's borders and in the lettering in the scroll denotes the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The motto describes the mission of 3 CACS and how the men and women continuously carry out their mission.

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

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