## 12th SPECIAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES

**UNIT COLORS** 

**COMMANDERS** 

HONORS Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

Decorations

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## **OPERATIONS**

Air Force Special Operations Command stood up the 12th Special Operations Squadron as its designated remotely piloted aircraft launch-and-recovery unit during a ceremony at Cannon AFB, N.M., last week. "This is the first squadron of its kind," Lt. Col. Josh Hartig, 12th SOS commander, said at the May 28 stand-up. "Typically, our work of taking off and landing RPAs exists as an element in a mission squadron or a formal training unit," he added in the unit release. The unit was initially activated as a detachment in 2013, and will continue its mission generating sorties across US Central Command and US Africa Command for the 2nd SOS, 3rd SOS, and 33rd SOS. "Our

airmen deploy downrange in order to take off and land aircraft via line of sight frequencies" to augment mission controllers, Hartig said. "We are still gaining pilots and sensor operators, and our tasking will expand as the squadron does," he added. 2015

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