

26th SPECIAL TACTICS SQUADRON



LINEAGE

STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

MISSION EQUIPMENT

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On a disc embattled per fess Azure and Sable, a winged sword point to base Silver Gray, pommel and guard Or, detailed Gris, wings Argent, of the third and of the fifth, in chief between the wing tips an arc of five mullets of the sixth, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "26TH SPECIAL TACTICS SQ" in Yellow letters.

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. The yellow border signifies the perpetual sun and reminds Airmen of the integrity required for every mission. The winged sword symbolizes the lethal rain of steel that Special Tactics Airmen call down from the sky. The five stars signify the operational teams with the center star symbolizing the backbone of the Squadron, combat mission support.

The motto, "Victory or Death," echoes ancient warriors striving on the field of battle to conquer their enemies at any cost.

MOTTO

NICKNAME

CALL SIGN

OPERATIONS

Officials activated the 26th Special Tactics Squadron, elevating the unit from a detachment to a full-up squadron, in a ceremony at Cannon AFB, N.M. The unit, activated on April 24, is comprised of pararescue personnel, combat controllers, tactical air controllers, and combat weather teams, which will now train and deploy with assets of Cannon's 27th Special Operations Wing, according to a base release. "This squadron's mission is to build indomitable, professional special operators and get them face to face with our nation's enemies. God willing, the 26th STS will accomplish this mission at any cost," said Maj. Michael Jensen, the squadron's commander, at the standup. The unit was formerly Detachment 1 of the 720th Special Tactics Group at Hurlburt Field, Fla. 2014

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Sources

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