4620 AIR DEFENSE WING

MISSION

LINEAGE

4620 Air Defense Wing (SAGE Experimental) designated and organized, 1 Jun 1955 Discontinued, 1 Feb 1961

STATIONS

Lexington, MA, 1 Jun 1955-8 Aug 1958 Santa Monica, CA, 8 Aug 1958-1 Feb 1961

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Defense Command, 1 Jun 1955-1 Feb 1961

COMMANDERS

Col Robert J. Stevenson, Jul 1958 Lt Col George R. Kauffman, 24 Jun 1959 Col Samuel C. Galbreath, 1 Jul 1959-1 Feb 1961

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Established to implement Semi-Automatic Ground Environment (SAGE) air defense system. Responsible to ensure that SAGE computer systems were based on approved operational

concepts for Air Defense and provided guidance to operational units concerning implementation, installation, testing, and utilization of SAGE computer programs. Until December 1958, also providing training on manual systems being replaced by SAGE. Originally Located with Lincoln Laboratories. Prepared operational employment plan for integration of IM-99 Bomarc Missiles into SAGE system.
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Sources

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