6250 SUPPORT SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

6250 Support Squadron

STATIONS

Tan Son Nhut AB, South Vietnam

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

On 8 July 1965, the 6250th Support Squadron (SS) activated at Tan Son Nhut AB under the 6250th Combat Support Group. The new support squadron took over operations of all the special mission aircraft assigned to Tan Son Nhut. Shortly thereafter, six T-39s arrived from the CONUS to join the 6250th SS. These six planes were primarily "fast film couriers used to link reconnaissance aircraft bases in Thailand with the intelligence center in Saigon." The T-39s also flew DVs throughout the Indochinese theater, including offshore points. Meanwhile, the U-3Bs flew the finished photo reconnaissance films to smaller sites within Vietnam.

On 24 January 1966, the 6250th SS was reassigned from its parent support group to the 2d Air Division (AD), which itself was reorganized into Seventh Air Force less than three months later on 1 April 1966. Two years later on 15 June 1968, Seventh Air Force officials removed the 6250th's Flight Operations Division from the squadron and renamed it Seventh Air Force Flight Operations directly under Headquarters Seventh Air Force. Officially, the flight operations' mission was to provide support of a non-combat nature to Seventh Air Force. Support included "the transportation of high priority personnel and distinguished visitors, and the movement of classified courier materials and strike films throughout SEA Southeast Asia."

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