6902 SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

6902 Special Communications Group established and activated, 1 Aug 1955 Discontinued, 1 Dec 1959

STATIONS

Shiroi AB, Japan, 1 Aug 1955 Kadena AB, Okinawa, 27 Oct 1959-1 Dec 1959

ASSIGNMENTS

6920 Security Wing, 1 Aug 1955-1 Dec 1959

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

The 6902nd Special Communications Group relocated to Shiroi from Kelly AFB in 1955.

The 6902nd Spec Comm Group (second echelon analysis and reporting) mission split regionally. The Southeast Asian mission moved into 6922nd Quonset huts by the golf course on Kadena, while the Soviet mission relocated into a former old mess hall on Misawa Air Base as part of the 6921st Radio Group Mobile. This latter group moved up to Security Hill on Misawa after contractors completed the new 6921st operations building in late 1959.217 Reconstituted at Kadena, the 6922nd functioned there until 1965.

By November 1959, the 6902nd comm group had vacated Shiroi. Former traffic analyst Philip Kivett was among 6902nd analysts and Chinese and Korean linguists who relocated to Kadena in October. Still assigned to the 6902nd with a permanent change of station, they reported for duty with the 6922 RGM at Kadena. Upon arrival on Okinawa, new military orders officially transferred the men to the 6922nd RGM.

Combining the 6922nd and 6902nd missions, the 6920th Security Wing inactivated the 6902nd Special Comm Group on 1 December 1959.

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