

6940 SECURITY WING

MISSION

LINEAGE

6940 Air Base Wing Organized, 1 Oct 1958
Redesignated 6940 Technical Training Wing, 1 Apr 1960
Redesignated 6940 Security Wing, 1 Feb 1963
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1978

STATIONS

Goodfellow AFB, TX, 1 Oct 1958-1 Jul 1978

ASSIGNMENTS

United States Air Force Security Service, 1 Oct 1958-1 Jul 1978

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
1 Oct 1965-30 Sep 1967
1 Jan 1975-31 Dec 1976

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OPERATIONS

On 1 October 1958, USAFSS activated the 6940th Air Base Wing at Goodfellow AFB to provide base support activities. Concurrently to administer training within its SIGINT School, the command activated at Goodfellow the 6940th Technical Training Group and four squadrons 6941st, 6942nd, 6943rd and 6944 Student Squadrons. The 6940th wing also operated a 6946th Student Squadron during 1962-1963 at Kelly AFB. In 1960, the 6940th ABW and 6940th TTG folded—replaced by the 6940th Technical Training Wing. Finally, the 6945th Radio Squadron Mobile (aka 6945 Security Squadron) operated at Goodfellow from 1961 to 1965.

By 1963, Air Force Security Service strength approached 30,000 Air Force and civilian personnel—time to reorganize to accommodate the growth. In response to an Air Force problem of how to reduce or eliminate intermediate echelons and separate units, USAFSS initiated the "Operational Wing Concept." Under this concept, the mission unit was discontinued and a support squadron was organized. The functions of the mission unit were absorbed into the wing structure. The concept was implemented in Europe late in 1963 and in the Pacific in 1964.

In 1970, the 6940th Security Wing introduced a USAFSS SIGINT orientation course for senior officers, but the original course needed extensive tweaking to achieve desired results.

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