

OPERATIONALLY RESPONSIVE SPACE OFFICE

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Operationally Responsive Space Office opened, 21 May 2007

STATIONS

Kirtland AFB, N.M.

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col. Kevin McLaughlin, #2007

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

New Space Office Opens 2007 The Operationally Responsive Space Office opened on May 21 at Kirtland AFB, N.M.

Col. Kevin McLaughlin was named ORS Office director. He is also commander of Kirtland's Space Development and Test Wing.

This joint force organization will coordinate various military and government agency efforts to develop fast-turnaround space capabilities. The targeted capabilities are technological and operational in nature.

Deputy Defense Secretary Gordon England, in an April report to Congress, voiced the need for such an office. He said that the nation needs a way to develop, acquire, and field space systems in "shortened timeframes and more affordable ways."

The office will manage responsive space efforts undertaken by the Air Force, Army, Navy, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, National Reconnaissance Office, and Missile Defense Agency.