



# BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

## LIEUTENANT COLONEL MELISSA A. ENGLISH

Lt Col Melissa English is Commander, 70th Operations Support Squadron, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland in support of the 70th Intelligence Surveillance and Reconnaissance Wing's (ISRW) cryptologic and information warfare activities. In this role, she leads 270 Airmen and Guardians, enabling operations, training, military exercises, and six elite internship programs for the 70 ISRW, the National Security Agency, United States Cyber Command, and 16th Air Force (Air Forces Cyber).

Prior to her current assignment, Lt Col English was Chief, Operations and Plans, Joint Staff Directorate for Intelligence, the Pentagon, Washington D.C. She is a career Air Force intelligence officer with a broad range of experiences with Joint targeting, nuclear weapons, collection management, analysis, Joint personnel rescue, special operations, and acquisition intelligence. Lt Col English has deployed twice to U.S. Central Command in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM, ENDURING FREEDOM, and INHERENT RESOLVE.



Lt Col English graduated from Nazareth College in Rochester, NY with degrees in history and international relations and commissioned through the Rochester Institute of Technology Air Force Reserve Officer Training Program in 2005. In 2020, she earned an executive master's degree in International Relations from the Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Public Policy.

## EDUCATION

- 2005 Bachelor of Arts, International Studies and History, Nazareth College, Rochester, N.Y.
- 2009 Master of Arts, Strategic Intelligence, American Military University, Charleston, W.V.
- 2014 Graduate Certificate, Nuclear Weapons, Policy, and Proliferation, Air Force Institute of Technology
- 2015 Air Command Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2020 Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., by correspondence
- 2020 Executive Masters of International Relations, Maxwell School, Syracuse University, N.Y.
- 2020 Certificate of Advanced Studies in Security Studies, Maxwell School, Syracuse University, N.Y.

## ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2005–May 2006, Student, Intelligence Officer School, 315 TRS, Goodfellow Air Force Base, TX
2. June 2006–July 2009, Chief, Intelligence Standardization & Evaluation (previously Deputy Chief, ISR Operations), 611 AOC, Elmendorf AFB, AK  
(May 08–September 08, Intelligence Duty Officer, 609 AOC, Al Udeid AB, Qatar)
5. August 2009–April 2010, Chief, Intelligence Standardization & Evaluation, 353 SOG, Kadena AB, Japan

6. April 2010–August 2011, Chief, Intelligence Operations, 17 SOS, Kadena AB, Japan
7. October 2011–October 2014, Chief, Wing Intelligence, Senior Intelligence Officer, 91 MW, Minot AFB, ND (January 13–July 13, Intelligence Analyst, Joint Personnel Rescue Center, 609 AOC, Al Udeid AB, Qatar)
8. October 2014–May 2016, Intelligence Acquisition Planner, HQ Air Force A2, Pentagon, Washington, DC
9. May 2016–May 2017, SecAF-CSAF Executive Action Group, HAF, Pentagon, Washington, DC
10. May 2017–July 2018, Aide-de-Camp to the Chief of Staff of the Air Force, HAF, Pentagon, Washington, DC
11. July 2018–January 2019, Fellow, the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Washington, DC
12. January 2019–June 2019, Fellow, State Department, Near East Division, Syria Desk, Washington, DC
13. July 2019–July 2021, Chief, Operations & Plans Division (previously Chief, Doctrine & Policy Division and Operations and Plans Action Officer), JS J2T, the Pentagon, Washington DC
14. July 2021–Present, Commander, 70th Operations Support Squadron, Fort Meade, MD

## **SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS**

1. July 2019–July 2021, Directorate for Intelligence, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, DC, as a Major and Lieutenant Colonel

## **MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal  
Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster  
Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters  
Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

## **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION**

Second Lieutenant May 24, 2005  
First Lieutenant June 20, 2007  
Captain June 20, 2009  
Major January 1, 2016  
Lieutenant Colonel October 1, 2019

*(Current as of August 2022)*