



# UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE SPACE OPERATIONS COMMAND

## FACT SHEET

### SPACE DELTA 18

**MISSION:** Deliver unparalleled technical expertise and game-changing Intelligence --empowering national leaders, joint force warfighters, and acquisition professionals to outwit, out-reach and win in the space domain.



#### **NATIONAL SPACE INTELLIGENCE CENTER VISION**

We are The Nation's Space Intelligence Center - providing Progressive, Predictive, and Pioneering intelligence to outwit, out-reach and WIN in the space domain; Protecting America and its allies in Space now and into the future.

#### **HISTORY**

Space Delta 18 (National Space Intelligence Center), was launched June 24, 2022 during an Activation & Assumption of Command ceremony in Fairborn, OH. Space Delta 18 (NSIC) is headquartered and co-located with the National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, OH. Space Delta 18 (NSIC) is comprised of two units originally activated 15 April 2008 within the Air Force's first Space and Missiles Analysis Group. The legacy of the Space Analysis Squadron (SMS) and Counterspace Analysis Squadron (SMD) will be preserved by the re-designation of units as the 1st Space Analysis Squadron and 2nd Space Analysis Squadron respectively.

**1st Space Analysis Squadron Mission** Produce and deliver foundational intelligence on foreign space capabilities supporting the warfighter, acquisitions and national policy.

**2nd Space Analysis Squadron Mission** Produce and deliver foundational intelligence on foreign threats to space operations supporting the warfighter, acquisitions and national policy.



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### SPACE DELTA 18 EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE



**Platinum** is the distinctive color of Space Operations Command. This represents the strength of SpOC's uniformed and civilian Guardian's, the rarity of its calling, and the nobility of its mission.

**The design** incorporates elements that both recall the organization's NASIC heritage while simultaneously looking towards the future that spurred its formation.

**The majestic sphinx** – an ancient symbol of wisdom, knowledge, and the challenges that NSIC analysts will solve – is invoked out of pride in an organization that traces its roots back to the earliest days of aerospace intelligence.

**It sits omnipresent over the world** – just as the domain the analysts of NSIC will monitor and help to protect and defend – and gazes upwards, drawing the viewers eye from the past into the future and the blackness of space.

**In that blackness, a Northern star** is prominently displayed. Its eight points of the star symbolize the points of a compass, displaying how NSIC intelligence professionals will analyze and assess to guide the United States acquisitions, policymakers, and warfighter communities through this new frontier.