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UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT CHRISTOPHER C. HUCKS

Chief Master Sergeant Christopher C. Hucks serves as the Senior Enlisted Leader of the 65th Air Base Group, Lajes Field, Azores Portugal. The group is composed of four squadrons across two countries at two installations, Lajes, Field, Portugal and Moron Air Base, Spain. He is the principal advisor to the Installation Commander on leadership and direction for the group's 1,200 men and women spanning from operations, maintenance, logistics, engineering and mission support enabling strategic airlift and fighter support services in support of EUCOM, AFRICOM and CENTCOM. The group provides power projection by maintaining US Air Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa largest and longest airfields, the only 32 million gallons jet fuel storage seaport pier, the largest joint search and rescue mission in the Atlantic region spanning 2 million nautical square miles, providing 24-hour mid Atlantic diversion support. Chief Hucks works directly with the Portuguese and Spanish Air Force senior enlisted leaders fostering host country partnerships, joint enlisted development, infrastructure needs for 4,000 host nation warfighters, military families and the community.



Chief Master Sergeant Hucks enlisted in the United States Air Force in May 2000. He attended technical training at Keesler AFB, Mississippi, graduating from the Communication's Planning and Implementation course in September 2000. His background includes various roles in the cyberspace support career field at base communications units, Headquarters Air Force, theater deployable communications, Numbered Air Force, NATO, and joint commands. He has deployed numerous times in support of contingency and enduring operations to include Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, UNIFIED PROTECTOR, INHERENT RESOLVE and completed overseas tours in Italy, Republic of Korea, Germany, and The Netherlands. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the Senior Enlisted Leader, 6th Communications Squadron, MacDill AFB, Florida.

EDUCATION

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| 2004 | Airman Leadership School, Aviano AB, Italy |
| 2008 | Associates in Applied Science Degree in Information Systems Technology, Community College of the Air Force |
| 2011 | Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Kaupan AS, Germany |
| 2012 | Senior Enlisted Joint PME Course, National Defense University (Correspondence Course) |
| 2018 | Senior Enlisted Joint PME Course II, National Defense University (Correspondence Course) |
| 2020 | Basic Airborne Course, Fort Benning, Georgia |
| 2020 | Leadership & Management Certification, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, Illinois |
| 2020 | Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama |
| 2021 | Bachelors of Arts, Criminal Justice with specialization in Criminalistics, Saint Leo University, Florida |
| 2023 | Chief Leadership Course, Maxwell-Gunter AFB, Alabama |
| 2023 | Joint & Combined Warfighting School, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia |

ASSIGNMENTS OR CAREER CHRONOLOGY

1. May 2000 – July 2000, Trainee, 326th Training Squadron, Lackland AFB, Texas
2. July 2000 – September 2000, Student, Communications Planning & Implementation, 336th Training Squadron, Keesler AFB,





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3. September 2000 – September 2005, Communications & Information Systems Project Manager, 31st Communications Squadron, Aviano AB, Italy
4. September 2005 – March 2007, DoDIIS Executive Agent, AF Disaster Recovery Program, Det 2 AFISR Agency, Air Force Global Cyberspace Integration Center, Langley AFB, Virginia
5. March 2007 – March 2008, C4 Project Manager, 51st Communications Squadron, Osan AB, Republic of Korea
6. March 2008 – February 2009, Intelligence Systems Project Manager, 1st Air & Space Communications Operations Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
7. February 2009 – November 2011, Supervisor, Intel Systems Network Infrastructure, 1st Air & Space Communications Operations Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
8. November 2011 – August 2013, Infrastructure Systems Supervisor, 1st Combat Communications Squadron, Ramstein AB, Germany
9. August 2013 – January 2016, NCOIC, Network Control Center, NATO Communications & Information Agency, NATO Joint Forces Command Headquarters Brunssum, The Netherlands
10. January 2016 – August 2016, Program Manager, J6 Cyber Defense & Information Assurance Division, NATO Joint Forces Command Headquarters Brunssum, The Netherlands
11. August 2016 – May 2019, Superintendent, Air C2 Operations, Operations Directorate, US Air Forces Central Command, Shaw AFB, South Carolina
12. May 2019 – January 2020, Superintendent, Plans & Requirements Division, Communications Directorate, United States Air Forces Central Command, Shaw AFB, South Carolina
13. January 2020 – Jun 2022, Operations Superintendent, 1st Joint Communications Squadron, Joint Communications Support Element, MacDill AFB, Florida
14. Jun 2022 – May 2024, Senior Enlisted Leader & 1D7 Chief Enlisted Manager, 6th Communications Squadron, MacDill AFB, Florida
15. May 2024 – May 2025, Air Force Element Senior Enlisted Advisor, Joint Communications Support Element, MacDill, AFB, Florida
16. May 2025 - Present, Senior Enlisted Leader, 65th Air Base Group, Lajes Field, Portugal

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster
Commendation Medal with 7 oak leaf clusters
Joint Service Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster
Achievement Medal
Joint Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Unit Award
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with 5 oak leaf clusters

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

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| 2001 | 31st Fighter Wing Communications & Information Professional Airman of the Year |
| 2004 | Pitsenbarger Leadership Award, Airman Leadership School |
| 2006 | Secretary of the Air Force Office of Warfighter Integration NCO of the Year |
| 2011 | Distinguished Graduate & Commandants Award, Noncommissioned Officer Academy |
| 2012 | United States Air Forces Europe Athlete of the Year |
| 2015 | “Kruis Voor Betoonde Marsvaardigheid” Dutch Marching Proficiency Cross |
| 2016 | NATO Joint Forces Command Headquarters Brunssum SNCO of the Year |
| 2016 | Norwegian Armed Forces Foot March Proficiency Badge (Bronze) |
| 2018 | USAFCENT Operations Directorate SNCO of the Year |
| 2020 | Joint Enabling Capabilities Command Information Dominance SNCO of the Year |
| 2020 | Distinguished Graduate, Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy |
| 2021 | United States Transportation Command 12 Outstanding Airman of the Year Nominee |





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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Member, Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association International
Lifetime Member, Joint Communications Support Element Veterans Association

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROMOTION

Chief Master Sergeant October 1, 2022

(Current as of 29 May 2025)

