

THE USEUCOM JOINT INTELLIGENCE CENTER

**MISSION:**

The United States European Command Joint Intelligence Center (JIC) processes, analyzes and produces finished intelligence to satisfy the requirements of Headquarters United States European Command, component commands, Allied Command Europe, and national level agencies.

**HISTORY:**

The genesis of the USEUCOM Joint Intelligence Center (JIC) can be traced back to 1952. At that time, the electronic intelligence (ELINT) processing effort in Europe was conducted by a small cell of Air Force analysts at the 497th Reconnaissance Technical Squadron (RTS), Schierstein, Germany. In 1962, this effort was augmented by the establishment of the European Analysis Laboratory (ESAL) in Frankfurt, whose twelve service and civilian analysts processed ELINT derived from both Army and Air Force activities.

Two years later in 1964, the first theater-wide ELINT processing center was created. The 497th RTS Cell and the ESAL were combined to form the European Electronic Intelligence Center (EEIC), a joint service command under USCINCEUR at Lindsey Air Station in Wiesbaden.

During the next seven years, the electronic environment in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa continued to grow in complexity as more aspects of weapons systems became electronically dependent. At the same time, the need for an integrated, multi-discipline approach to the broader concern of overall defense analysis was recognized by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In December 1971, the functions of the EEIC were significantly expanded and the unit was redesignated the European Defense Analysis Center (EUDAC).

In 1975, EUDAC moved from Wiesbaden to Patch Barracks at Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany. EUDAC's expanded mission was performed at this location so the unit could provide more immediate indications and warning support to the Director of Intelligence, Deputy Commander in Chief, and Commander in Chief, U.S. Forces Europe.

As part of the developing Theater Intelligence Architecture program, EUDAC was redesignated as the USEUCOM Joint Intelligence Center (JIC) on 2 July, 1987 and underwent a major reorganization three months later. The redesignation and reorganization were the first steps in providing the theater with a survivable multi-discipline intelligence center.

**DECORATIONS:**

Joint Meritorious Unit Award, 1 August 1982 - 9 April 1987.

**THE JIC BUILDING:**

Kurmaerker Kaserne, as Patch Barracks is still called by many local residents, was constructed during 1936 and 1937 for the German Panzer Regiment 7. The kaserne housed the regimental headquarters and two battalions, each of which had four tank companies and a headquarters. Each battalion had 5 barracks buildings and two mess halls, one of which was the JIC building.

1st Battalion soldiers ate their noon meal in building 2315. Of the original triple front entrance to the building, the left door led to the kitchen, the center one to the sergeants' mess on the second floor, and the right door to the troop mess and concessionaire-operated canteen which offered food and sundry items as well as beer, wine, and liquor.

The doors at east and west ends of these buildings led to small third floor apartments. One apartment belonged to the concessionaire and his family; the other one was reserved for one of the civilians who worked at the boiler plant.

Each of the four mess hall buildings was originally decorated by a mural over the doorway, showing scenes from the military, industry, and agriculture. Only the mural on the JIC building remains. It was uncovered during a repainting in 1977 and partially restored.

**PERSONNEL:**

The JIC mission has grown in scope and complexity throughout its history and the JIC family is now comprised of approximately 113 highly skilled soldier, sailors, airmen, and civilians. 117

