

David Ryan Shepherd

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- Captain in the United States Air Force (Intelligence Officer)
 - Editor, Journal of Homeland and National Security Perspectives (Former)
 - Three years prior experience as an Enlisted Intelligence Analyst (1NO)
 - Consistently recognized for superior performance, attention to detail, leadership, and exceptional professional image while deployed overseas and serving at home
 - Exceptional record-keeping, organizational skills, problem solving, and highly adaptable
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Education

University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth, MA

- J.D. Class of 2021

Angelo State University – San Angelo, TX

- M.S.S in Intelligence, Security Studies, and Analysis - Graduated w/ *Summa Cum Laude*-equivalent GPA

Portland State University – Portland, OR

- B.S. in Political Science
 - Emphasis in Middle Eastern studies
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Work Experience

United States Air Force – Otis ANGB, MA

Commander – BRAVO Flight (04/2018 to Present). Serves as the commander of a 60-person full motion video/imagery analysis flight in DGS-MA, providing 24/7 collection, processing, exploitation and dissemination of critical intelligence to joint and coalition warfighters operating across three combatant commands. Additionally, serves as 102d Intelligence Oversight program manager and sensor planner for global intelligence collection operations with high value air assets.

United States Air Force - Tyndall AFB, FL

Officer-in-Charge – 601st AOC National Tactical Integration (05/2017 to 04/2018). Serves as the officer in charge of the 1st Air Force's/AFNORTH's tenant National Tactical Integration Team within the 601st AOC/ISR providing SIGINT threat warning and situational awareness in support of NORAD/NORTHCOM operations, to include: Homeland Defense, Defense Support to Civil Authorities, and Theater Security Cooperation. Key activities include facilitation reach back to Air Force NTI critical and enabling capabilities to deliver seamless support to the Air Component, while serving as a two-way conduit to communicate COCOM requirements to the AF NTI enterprise and intelligence community at-large.

Officer-in-Charge – Intelligence Support to Regional Air Movement Control Center (01/2017 to 04/2018). Serves as the officer in charge of the 601st AOC ISR's support to the Regional Air Movement Control Center. The RAMCC is responsible for fusing and scheduling all slot requests by US and international government, civilian, and non-governmental organizations to ensure the efficient and effective use of limited airfield services during a crisis (hurricane, earthquakes, floods, etc.).

Deputy Chief – Analysis, Correlation, and Fusion Team (01/2017 to 04/2018). Serves as the Deputy Chief of the Analysis, Correlation, and Fusion Team at the 601st Air and Space Operations Center. Key activities include: leading a team of counter-terrorism experts in their analysis to deter threats to civil aviation and DOD facilities in the Continental United States; managing an air threat fusion cell in support of air space sovereignty assurance – performing predictive analysis on potential Air craft of Interest, to include foreign military, seeking to penetrate NORAD's Air Defense Identification Zone; leads and directs a team of 11 subject matter experts in support of the defense of NORAD/NORTHCOM against its top-four foreign state actor threats; and, provides actionable and timely intelligence directly to AFNORTH/CC in support of NORAD/NORTHCOM #1 mission priority.

Selected Accomplishments/Contributions:

- Developed Academic Program on predictive analysis and I&W for the Theater Combined Forces Air Component Commander to be used in support of their #1 priority air defense mission, to be used for certification purposes for future T/CFACCs.

- Recognized as ISRD's only Officer Superior Performer for Exercise Ardent Sentry; NORTHCOM's largest annual Defense Support to Civil Authorities exercise aimed at responding to national-level disasters.

Senior Intelligence Duty Officer (01/2016 to 01/2017). Served as the Senior Intelligence Duty Officer at the 601st Air and Space Operations Center. Performed intelligence functions in support of NORAD/NORTHCOM. The AOC provides aerospace warning and control for NORAD Defensive Counter Air activities. The 601 AOC directs all air sovereignty activities for the continental United States in support of homeland defense and Operation Noble Eagle.

Selected Accomplishments/Contributions:

- Supplied critical intelligence reporting on 400+ Tracks of Interests for 1AF/CC's #1 priority ONE mission, coordinating with two Federal Agencies, and multiple IC offices across three COCOMs.
- Provided timely I&W for air threats; tracked 150+ Long Range Aviation/Heavy Bomber sorties-providing time sensitive, actionable intelligence to Theater CFACC, ensuring US air sovereignty.
- Shaped CONR defense posture; fused threat intelligence w/FAA on 500+ TFR/SFRA violators in defense of the National Capital Region.
- Validated and improved Senior Intelligence Duty Officer Operating Instruction for the 601st AOC.
- Executed 30+ homeland defense, counter-drug ISR missions in support of Theater Security Cooperation initiative.

United States Air Force – Goodfellow Air Force Base, TX

14N Intelligence Officer Course Student (04/2015 to 01/2016). Acted as class leader; mentored and advised 16 officer students on academic, personal, and professional concerns. Developed advanced study materials for both prior service and non-prior service students leading to class average of 92% on all end-of-block examinations. Graduated in the top 10% of the class. Was the only officer recognized as Superior Performer during Exercise Lone Star – the USAF's longest running exercise simulation.

United States Air Force – Ramstein Air Base, Germany

Air/Air Defense/TBM Analyst (01/2008 to 09/2010). Lead enlisted analyst of three cells during tenure at 603d Air and Space Operations Center. Coordinated effective responses to enemy threats against military installations, equipment, and personnel. Established Joint Space and Missile Analysis Cell – first of its kind within the 3AF enterprise – and developed an academic program which certified 13 General Officers in their role of Area Air Defense Commander. Frequently worked with General Officers in the development of emergency action plans and conveyed critical, time-sensitive information required in deterring enemy combatants.

Selected Accomplishments/Contributions:

- Recognized as Honor Graduate, Basic Military Training
- Recognized as Honor Graduate, 1NO Technical Training
- Recognized as Honor Graduate, First Term Airman's Center
- Recognized as Airman of the Quarter, 1st Quarter 2009
- Recognized with Diamond Sharp Award, CY 2009, awarded for superior personal and professional accomplishments in intelligence field
- Recognized as Superior Performer by USAFE/CC, Military Exercise Austere Challenge 09
- Recognized as Superior Performer, Exercise Juniper Cobra 09
- Recognized as Superior Performer by NATO ACC A2, NATO exercise Steadfast Juncture 10
- Awarded Below-the-Zone promotion to SrA
- Awarded Full-Ride scholarship to college, SOAR program for outstanding Airmen

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS: Company Grade Officer Council (CGOC), SAPR Volunteer Victim Advocate (SAPR VVA), Airmen Against Drunk Driving (AADD), Air Force Sergeant's Association (AFSA)