

PLATTSBURGH AIR FORCE BASE,  
SECURITY POLICE OPERATIONS BUILDING  
(Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 2830)  
Delaware Street  
Plattsburgh  
Clinton County  
New York

HAER No. NY-326-AC

PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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**Location:** Delaware Street, Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York.

UTM: 18.621600.4946720  
Quad: Plattsburgh, NY-VT, 1:24,000 (1966)

**Date of Construction:** 1957

**Architect/Engineer:** Unknown

**Present Owner:** United States Air Force

**Present Use:** Storage

**Significance:** Building No. 2830 supported the Strategic Air Command (SAC) mission by providing space in support of squadron-level operations, and later in support of police security operations. By the nature of the two functions of the building, it has played essential roles in the overall Cold War mission of Plattsburgh AFB.

**Project Information:** Building No. 2830 at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB) is being documented in accordance with HAER standards to mitigate for the potential adverse effects of transferring deed of title to the property from federal ownership. The property transfer is a result of the disposal and reuse of Plattsburgh AFB, pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1993. The mitigation is a stipulation of a Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the U.S. Air Force, the New York State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (October 2000).

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**Summary Description of Security Police Operations Building (Building No. 2830)**

**Layout**

Building No. 2830 is a 14,696 square-foot, one-story building with an irregular plan. The building has three gable roof sections. The main section (122'-0" x 66'-0") has a front facing gable roof; to the east of this section and perpendicular to it are two gable roof sections (127'-0" x 42'-0" and 48'-8" x 28'-0"). This building retains its original two-over-two, double-hung wood sash windows that occur individually, in pairs, or in groups of threes; two sets of three awning sash windows are located on the east façade. All windows have precast concrete sills. Several window openings have been infilled with concrete block on the north façade. The building is painted beige. Abutting the building to the south is a parking lot.

**Alterations/Additions**

Security screens were installed over the windows in 1962. The present gabled roof sections were constructed ca. 1985. Otherwise, there have been no other major alterations or additions to Building No. 2830.

**Function**

Building No. 2830 was originally built to house squadron operations and only later did it come to be used as the Security Police Operations Building. Building No. 2830 included space for control elements, law enforcement, resource protection, base information security, and security police office spacing. The building included an assembly/training room for arming, briefing, inspecting, and dispatching security personnel; communications; and air conditioned, secure sensor annunciation center that housed communicator plotter and supervisory personnel; a secure room for the storage and maintenance of firearms, ammunition, communications gear and other security equipment; and administrative space for the shift supervisor and flight chief.

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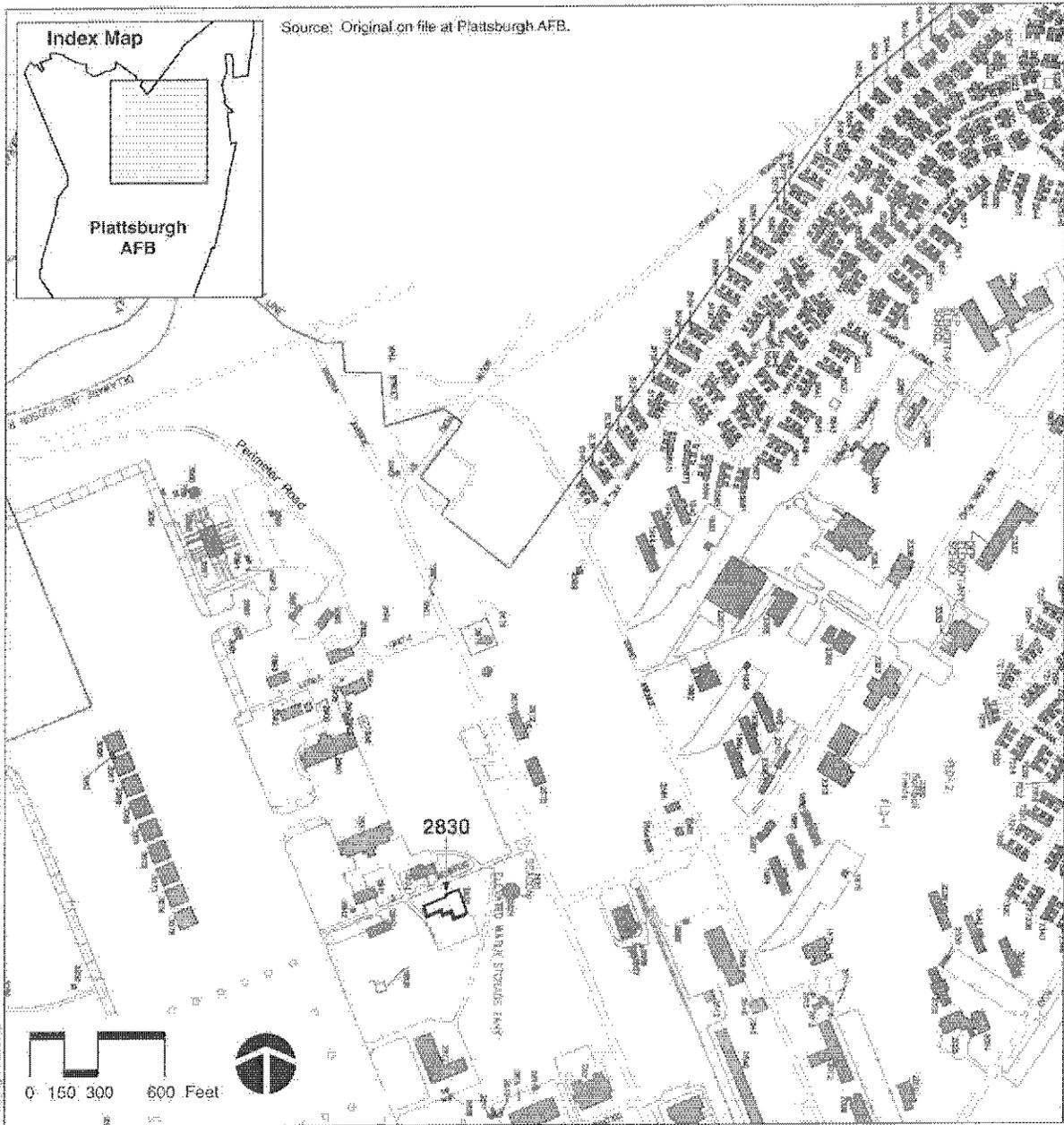
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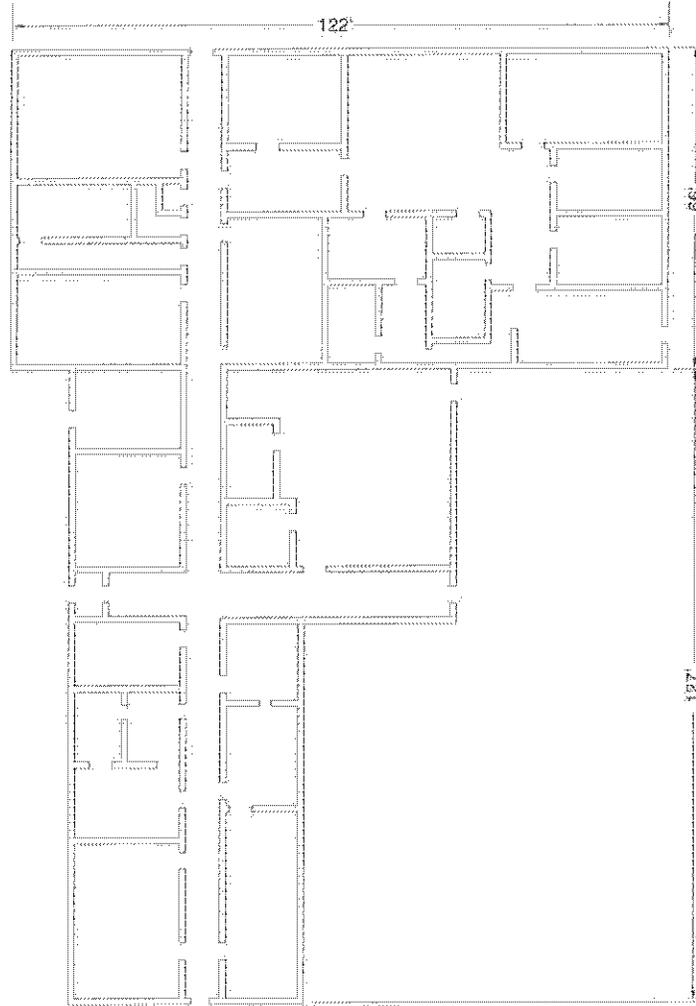
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SKETCH PLAN—SECURITY POLICE OPERATIONS BUILDING  
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