

## 156<sup>th</sup> AIRLIFT WING



### LINEAGE

156<sup>th</sup> Fighter Interceptor Group, 10 Apr 1958  
Redesignated 156<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Group, 1 Apr 1964  
Redesignated 156<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 15 Mar 1992  
Redesignated 156<sup>th</sup> Airlift Group  
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### STATIONS

Muniz ANGS, Carolina, Puerto Rico

### ASSIGNMENTS

#### WEAPON SYSTEMS

##### Mission Aircraft

F-16  
C-130

##### Support Aircraft

C-26B  
C-130

### COMMANDERS

### HONORS

#### Service Streamers

#### Campaign Streamers

#### Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

#### Decorations

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

September 1998. After Hurricane Georges ripped across their island destroying some 26,000 houses, members of the Puerto Rico Air Guard's 156th Airlift Wing flew tons of food, water, equipment and supplies to remote parts of the storm-stricken island. The unit was in the middle of converting from fighters to airlifters and had two of its planned eight C-130Hs on hand to deal with that natural disaster.

2005 28 Oct A C-130 assigned to the 139th Airlift Wing, Missouri ANG, airlifted seventeen members of the 156th Aerial Port Flight, Puerto Rico ANG, to NAS New Orleans to participate in hurricane relief operations. The 156th Aerial Port Flight deployed to New Orleans to fulfill their two-week annual training requirement.

29 Nov A C-130 assigned to the 165th Airlift Wing airlifted thirty-six personnel from NAS New Orleans to St Croix Island, US Virgin Islands.

8 September 2006. The Puerto Rico Air Guard's 156th Airlift Wing deployed to Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. It was the first time the island's ANG had deployed to a war zone as a unit in its 59-year history. While the 156th was committed to a 120-day deployment, its individual members were slated to rotate out every 30 days.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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