

526th AIR BASE GROUP

MISSION

LINEAGE

526th Air Base Group
Activated, 19 May 1948

STATIONS

Wheelus AB, Libya

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

On 19 May 1948, prior to the MATS takeover, the 526th Air Base Group was designated to take command of Wheelus. On 1 June its squadrons, the 526th Headquarters, the 526th Medical Service, and the C-54-equipped 20th Air Transport were activated at Wheelus.

Proof of substantial growth was the establishment of the 526th Air Base Group on 19 May, 1948. The various squadrons comprising the Group were activated within the following two weeks.

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